RESOLUTION

ON THE

MANAGEMENT BY GOVERNMENT OF PRIVATE ESTATES

IN THE

CENTRAL PROVINCES

FOR THE REVENUE YEAR 1892-93,

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Reports by Deputy Commissioners with remarks by Commissioners on the working of Estates under Government management during the year ending the 30th September 1893.

RESOLUTION.

One hundred and thirty-one estates were under management at the close of 1891-92, and three new estates were brought under management in the course of the year. Ten estates were made over to their owners during the year, thus leaving 124 under management at its close.

The causes which led to the assumption of the management of these several estates by the Court of Wards are specified below:—

60 on account of the minority of the proprietors;

2 in consequence of the owners' unsoundness of mind or incapacity to manage their affairs as adjudged by the Civil Court;

10 owing to the disqualifications specified in sub-clauses i, ii and iii of Section 7 (1) (*c*), of the Court of Wards Act;

49 on the owners' application, Section (7) (*c*), sub-clause iv, of the Court of Wards Act.

The aggregate income of these estates exceeded 17 lakhs of rupees.

2. A list of the estates released from management during the year is given in the margin.

1. Bhidari	Jubbulpore District.	6. Khursipar of Lotan.	Seoni District.
2. Imlai		7. Khamaria ...	Narsinghpur ,,
3. Dhuma		8. Khadgaon & Bhatra.	Nagpur ,,
4. Khursepar of Nathe Khan	Seoni do.	9. Hari Bhao's estate ...	Chanda ,,
5. Bambui		10. Khuji ...	Raipur District.

Their combined area amounted to 327 square miles, and their rent-roll exceeded Rs. 31,000.

Of these, eight were released on the proprietor attaining majority, and two on the debt due by the estate being liquidated.

With regard to the three estates brought under management during the year, two were taken over on account of indebtedness, and one in consequence of the minority of the proprietor.

3. The receipts of Wards' estates under the main heads of income are shown below:—

Head of Income.	1890-91.	1891-92.	1892-93.	+ or −
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
Rents	10,54,130	10,15,327	10,21,604	+6,277
Profits of Sir land	64,316	59,116	47,216	−11,900
Forests	1,37,241	1,41,672	1,57,368	+15,696
Siwai income and dues	38,001	56,390	54,779	−1,611
Interest on Government Securities ...	28,244	24,825	22,699	−2,126
Interest on other securities	26,155	21,015	26,639	+5,624
Miscellaneous	3,67,405	3,34,110	3,70,379	+36,269
Total ...	17,15,492	16,52,455	17,00,684	+48,229

As the number of estates under management differs in each year, no exact comparison of the figures is possible. But it is satisfactory to note, that with a smaller number of estates, the receipts show so considerable an increase as compared with those of the previous year. The increase and decrease in rents, and the profits of sir land respectively, are due to mere changes in classification, but the marked advance under other heads, notably under Forests and Miscellaneous, was real, and was principally due to the rapid development of the large zamindari estates under management in the Chhattisgarh Division.

4. The following table gives the main items of expenditure for each of the last three years:—

Head of Expenditure.	1890-91.	1891-92.	1892-93.	+ or −
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
Government Revenue and Cesses ...	5,27,627	5,29,083	5,18,180	−10,903
Village servants	35,481	32,043	15,049	−16,994
Management	1,39,873	1,33,885	1,63,056	+29,171
Interest on debt	64,787	75,443	67,920	−7,523
Personal expenses	3,35,771	3,39,385	3,46,216	+6,831
Education	47,386	54,393	58,195	+3,802
Miscellaneous	2,07,881	2,25,199	2,52,365	+27,166
Total ...	13,58,806	13,89,431	14,20,981	+31,550

The chief items which call for comment is the largely increased expenditure on cost of management and on personal expenses. Under the former head the increase was confined to the Chhattisgarh Division, where the rapidly growing administrative needs of the large Zamindari estates have necessitated considerable addition to existing establishments. In the other three divisions expenditure under this head has been stationary, while even as regards Chhattisgarh it must be remembered that the larger expenditure is more than covered by enhanced receipts, the income of the estates in this division having risen during the same period by more than half a lakh of rupees.

The larger expenditure on the personal needs of the wards and their families was due to special causes and was confined to a few estates. Thus in Pagara (Chhindwara District) Rs. 7,000 were spent on the marriage of the Jagirdar, while the re-marriage of the Onkar-Mandhata ward cost Rs. 5,000. There was also some increase in the larger estates of the Chhattisgarh Division, where the steadily expanding revenues and the solvency of the larger estates admit of allowances being made to the wards and their families, which are more in accordance with their position and influence than was formerly possible or prudent. Looking at the expenditure generally it is sufficient to notice that it has increased in a considerably less proportion than the receipts have done.

5. The cost of management during the year came to 9 per cent. of the gross income. Considerable attention has been given during the year to the adequacy of subordinate establishments, but the Chief Commissioner is still not satisfied that sufficient care is taken in securing really competent men as Managers of the larger estates. In some districts, notably in Sambalpur and Raipur, the number of villages in estates under management is nearly as large as that in an ordinary tahsil, and the administrative questions to be dealt with are as varied and difficult as have to be dealt with by a Tahsildar. Moreover, the supervision which can be exercised over Courts of Wards' Managers is never as close or constant as that which can be exercised over Tahsildars, and it is on this account especially necessary that the Manager should be an exceptionally trustworthy, experienced and competent man. It does not, however, appear that the Manager in Raipur possesses these qualifications, while the Manager of the important estates of Pandaria and Kanteli, in the Bilaspur district, is said to be old and feeble. The Manager in Bhandara is reported to have failed to give satisfaction, while the official who formerly held this post at Jubbulpore seems to have been thoroughly inefficient. Similarly, in Nagpur the Commissioner notes that the official in charge of the Court of Wards during the year showed a "want of grip," and these are only examples of complaints which are made in several districts. It is unlikely that complaints of this kind would be so frequent, had proper care been exercised in the selection and appointment of these responsible officials, and the Chief Commissioner desires that Deputy Commissioners and Commissioners will give special attention to the selection of District Managers, and will arrange to replace any such official who is manifestly unequal to the duties he has to do. If the present salary is insufficient to attract really good men, proposals for increasing it may be submitted. Mr. Woodburn has no wish to encourage extravagance in this matter, but it will eventually be found that there is no truer economy than in securing really efficient and intelligent estate supervision. If this is attained not only will revenue be promptly collected, but bad debts will be prevented, and there will be a greater probability of an adequate development of estate resources being secured.

6. As regards the methods in which the surplus funds of solvent estates were utilized, the following statement shows broadly the chief methods of investment and expenditure :—

Method of investment.	1890-91.	1891-92.	1892-93.	+ or —
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
In Government Securities or Railway shares ..	51,279	11,165	2,000	—9,165
In other loans or Takavi	1,58,933	1,20,600	1,62,720	+42,120
In purchase of land or houses	11,436	35,692	11,833	—23,859
In estate improvements	58,450	75,635	81,232	+5,597

Although these figures show a larger aggregate sum advanced in Takavi and spent in estate improvements than in the previous year, they are still far from satisfactory when scrutinized in detail. Thus out of 47 estates which may

be classed as solvent, there were 18 in which nothing whatever was spent on estate improvements, while in ten more the amount so spent was quite inadequate in proportion to the total income of the estate. Did this indicate, either that there were no useful improvements which could be made, or that a more practical and profitable method of investing surplus funds had been adopted, it would not be open to criticism; but in several instances the reports clearly show that no such explanation is admissible. Thus Khitola in the Jubbulpore district was made over to the proprietor during the year, with a cash balance of more than Rs. 33,000, and with a further Rs. 6,000 to its credit invested in Government Promissory Notes. The Commissioner of the Division justly remarks, in view of these figures, that much might have been done in past years in the way of improvements. It is indeed surprising that the matter was overlooked both by his predecessor and by successive Deputy Commissioners of the district. Again, in Ganyari in the same district, with a cash balance of nearly Rs. 18,000, only Rs. 133 were spent on improvements, while Rs. 7 are said to have been granted as Takavi. The Deputy Commissioner does not say that there is no scope for improvements in this estate, and it is most unlikely that there is no demand for Takavi. Even, however, had this been the case, some of the surplus balance might well have been utilized in the purchase of villages to increase the estate, or, if no suitable villages were in the market, it could have been invested in Government Promissory Notes. These remarks also apply to the estate of Bejori in the same district with an available balance of some Rs. 20,000. Again, in some of the large and important estates of the Chhattisgarh Division, there has once more been lamentable neglect in the matter of the proper utilization of surplus funds. In Pendra (Bilaspur District), with cash in hand of over half a lakh of rupees, only Rs. 1,800 odd were spent on improvements, while no Takavi loans were made. In the same way in Borasambhar and Phuljhar, in the Sambalpur District, with cash balance of nearly thirty thousand and forty thousand respectively, only Rs. 344 and Rs. 400 were spent, in the former case in improvements and Takavi loans respectively, while practically nothing was spent in Phuljhar under either head. That the failure to grant Takavi loans was not due to the absence of demand for them, is clearly shown by the experience of the present year, when the allotment made in the Phuljhar and Borasambhar budgets on account of agricultural loans, which was even in the first instance considerable, has already been twice raised by reappropriation to meet the keen demand made by the tenants for help of this kind.

7. While making these criticisms on the work of the past year, the Chief Commissioner thinks it right to add that he has observed with much pleasure that the subject of the proper investment of estate funds is now receiving much more attention than formerly in all districts of the Province.

Budgets have been carefully framed, schemes of improvement have been drawn up, and arrangements have been made for securing adequate professional supervision where this is not already available. The Chief Commissioner is confident that next year's reports will afford practical proof of the increased attention which Deputy Commissioners are now giving to this subject.

In connection with expenditure of estate funds on improvements one caution is however very necessary. Too much stress cannot be laid on the importance of securing, not only that the improvements which are taken in hand are of such a nature as to be permanently useful to the estate, but that the execution of the work is so supervised as to ensure their being well and thoroughly

carried out. In two instances, in the present year's reports, instances of scamped and inferior work are noticed; in the one case in Fattehpur, in the Hoshangabad District, and in the other in the Bilaspur District. The greatest care must be taken to prevent any such neglect, and Managers who allow anything of the kind to occur should be severely dealt with. Nowhere is care and economical and efficient management more necessary than in the management of Trust Funds such as those of the Court of Wards are.

The Chief Commissioner desires moreover again to call the attention of Deputy Commissioners to the necessity of allotting a certain sum for Takavi loans in all solvent estates. Out of the 47 solvent estates which were under management during the past year, such loans were only made in 18 cases, and in most of these cases the amounts advanced were very small. The duty of keeping together and supporting their tenantry is one which Government very rightly insists upon in the case of private landowners, and its necessity has been strikingly illustrated in the Saugor and Damoh districts during the current year. But it need scarcely be said that mere theoretical insistence on this duty, however strenuously enforced, will never come home to malguzars with such weight and force as when it is backed up and illustrated by the practical example which we can give of the conduct we wish to see generally observed, by coming forward readily to aid the tenantry in these estates, where, as is the case in Court of Wards' villages, Government is itself the landlord. Mr. Woodburn trusts that this will be fully borne in mind by all Deputy Commissioners, and that they will make it their constant duty to keep themselves informed of the needs and circumstances of the tenantry in Court of Wards' Estates, and will see that help is promptly and readily given wherever it is really required.

8. With reference to the remarks made in paragraph 8 of last year's Resolution on Court of Wards' management, the Chief Commissioner has noticed with much satisfaction the very much greater care and promptness with which Court of Wards' budgets have been prepared and submitted in the current year as compared with the year preceding it. Colonel Thomas in the Chhattisgarh Division devoted special attention to this subject, and the careful and practical criticisms to which he subjected the figures submitted to him by Deputy Commissioners cannot fail to bear fruit in improved administration during the coming year. In the other Divisions, budgets have also been very carefully prepared, and all that now remains to be done is to see that the budget takes its proper place as a main guide in the operations of the year and that the proposals embodied in it are fully worked up to. The Chief Commissioner has every confidence that Commissioners and Deputy Commissioners will do all they can to see that this end is attained.

9. The total rental demand and collections of the year were :—

			Demand. Rs.	Collections. Rs.
On current demand	...	...	10,40,610	9,69,940
On arrear „	...	...	1,03,711	57,654
	Total	...	11,44,321	10,27,594

Of the current demand about 7 per cent. and of the arrears about 44 per cent. remained uncollected at the close of the year—a slight improvement on the results of 1891-92.

The efficiency of collections in each Division for the last two years is compared in the following table :—

Division.	1891-92.				1892-93.			
	Total demand.	Current demand.	Percentage uncollected.		Total demand.	Current demand.	Percentage uncollected.	
			Of total demand.	Of current demand.			Of total demand.	Of current demand.
	Rs.	Rs.			Rs.	Rs.		
Jubbulpore ...	2,35,131	1,98,994	11·	5·8	2,06,946	1,90,570	11·	8·
Nerbudda ...	3,38,969	3,01,531	15·	8·2	3,24,544	2,89,014	11·	5·
Nagpur ..	4,03,287	3,77,318	13·	10·	4,33,267	3,82,094	13·	9·
Chhattisgarh ..	1,72,526	1,71,799	·5	·4	1,79,565	1,78,932	·6	·6
TOTAL ...	11,49,913	10,49,650	11·	7·	11,44,322	10,40,610	10·	7·

The percentage of uncollected demand in the Jubbulpore, Nagpur and Chhattisgarh Divisions is practically the same as in the previous year, while in the Nerbudda Division there has been considerable improvement as compared with both of the last two years.

The percentages of the demand which remain uncollected at the close of the year are still however too high in all Divisions, except Chhattisgarh, and Deputy Commissioners should not only insist upon their Managers doing all they can to secure greater promptness of collection, but in the course of their winter tours examine with them the details of the rent balances.

Careful enquiry should be made as to whether any part of the difficulty of realization is due to rents or theka jamas being excessive, and there should be no hesitation in reducing these if it is shown that they are higher than can be paid without hardship for a series of years.

Wherever a Settlement Officer has been appointed this work will be taken up by him in consultation with the Deputy Commissioner. Equipped as he is with special knowledge and experience, and having at hand the most trustworthy statistics procurable, he will be able to do this work much more fairly than a District Officer can. He will have a larger field of comparison, and will be less likely to err in the direction of excess on the one hand or undue leniency on the other.

10. The amount of tenancy litigation was greater than in the preceding year. There were 429 suits for arrears of rent as compared with 283 in 1891-92, and 5 notices of enhancement as against 2 in the previous year.

The causes which led to the larger number of suits for arrears of rent are not given in the District Reports. This feature in the returns was, however, probably due to the bad harvest of the previous year, leaving considerable arrears which fell to be realized in the year under review.

There were only 28 cases during the year in which occupancy rights were purchased by ordinary tenants, and all these cases occurred in the Bhonsla Estate. The subject is mentioned in several of the District Reports, but in no case is it

stated what reasons were given by ordinary tenants for declining to buy these rights. It would be well if, in future, Managers and other officers who may make enquiry or give explanations to ryots on this point, would ascertain definitely, in a few cases, what makes tenants reluctant to avail themselves of the provisions of Section 62 of the Act. In view of the fact that there were 28 cases of purchase in one estate, and none in any other, there seems *primâ facie* reason to suspect that the explanation of the provisions of the law, which is said, in several reports, to have been given to the tenants, was no adequate explanation, and Deputy Commissioners should satisfy themselves that their Tahsildars and Court of Wards' Managers sufficiently understand the salient points of difference between an occupancy and an ordinary tenure to be able to explain that difference in a lucid and easily intelligible manner to a simple and ignorant ryot. The Chief Commissioner is confident that if the explanation given were really clear and adequate, there could not fail to be more numerous cases of the purchase of these rights than have hitherto been reported.

The conversion of grain into cash-rents was proceeded with during the year, and there are now comparatively few cases in which grain-rents are still paid. In all districts to which a Settlement Officer has been appointed, this matter will be dealt with by him.

11. The progress made during the year in the repayment of debt was, in most estates, satisfactory. Rupees 1,92,753 were paid off in 79 encumbered estates, and the unliquidated balance at the close of the year amounted to Rs. 10,76,335, or a lakh and a quarter less than in 1891-92. In several estates, however, either nothing was paid, or the sums paid were so small as to go very little way towards diminishing the total indebtedness. Thus in Banda, in the Jubbulpore District, with liabilities of over Rs. 20,000, little more was done than to pay interest due, and it is difficult to see how the debt will ever be repaid under the enhanced assessments which are now coming into force. There are, it is true, said to be debts of over Rs. 14,000 due to the estate, but by neglect, for which the Chief Commissioner must hold past District Officers directly responsible, the recovery of a great part of these debts seems now to be barred by limitation. The position of Ganera in the Hoshangabad District, with liabilities of some Rs. 75,000, and of Behrakheri in the same district, with liabilities of Rs. 1,23,000 odd, is even more unsatisfactory, and will become even worse when the revised assessments come into force. Similar cases occur in the Damoh, Saugor and Nagpur Districts, while in the Lakhnadon estate in Seoni, where it was originally proposed to liquidate the debts in 14 years, Rs. 12,000 still remain due after 12 years of Government management. With reference to these and similar cases, the Chief Commissioner desires that no time should be lost in submitting proposals for the liquidation of the debt still due, within a reasonable period of time. In some cases it may be possible to secure this by sale of moveable property, while in others it may be necessary to put a portion of the estate into the market to save the rest. But each such case must be definitely and promptly dealt with. Extrication from embarrassment will only become more difficult with every year's delay, and where the matter has not already been taken up, the Chief Commissioner desires that it should have the immediate attention of Commissioners of Division.

12. The important subject of the education of minor proprietors has evidently received attention, and complaints of neglect of studies by the young

wards are less frequent than they were in the reports of the previous year. The Chief Commissioner has been gratified to read of the excellent progress in his studies made by Bishen Datt Sukal of the Pounda Estate in the Jubbulpore District and by Thakur Raghuraj Singh of the Hindoria Estate in Damoh.

Raja Bhanupratab of Imjhera, in the Narsinghpur District, seems also to have profited by the education which he has received, and it is satisfactory to notice, that he is taking a practical interest in the work of his estate.

Now that a Rajkumar College is to be opened at Raipur, it may be possible to send some of the wards of the larger estates to study there, and Deputy Commissioners should see that all wards who are qualified for such an institution, and are of suitable age, are so sent.

13. On a general review of the work of the year, the Chief Commissioner regrets to have to observe that he is still unable to characterize that work as altogether satisfactory. The way in which debts due to the Court of Wards have, in several cases, been allowed to lapse by limitation, while in others large balances have remained for years unutilized, shows great laxity of supervision. Similarly, the fact noticed by Colonel Thomas that several village headmen were ejected in Bilaspur on the mere report of an Assistant Manager and without adequate ground, reflects badly on Government management, while the further fact already noticed that in several estates affairs have been allowed to drag on from year to year without any sustained effort at regular repayment of debt and without any proper scrutiny of the resources and financial outlook, is as surprising as it is deplorable. The Chief Commissioner must, however, again point out that though Deputy Commissioners are primarily responsible for such instances of mismanagement, they could not have occurred if Commissioners had exercised a sufficient check over estate budgets, and had maintained a systematic and thoughtful control over Court of Wards' work in their Divisions generally.

In the course of his last cold weather tour Mr. Woodburn took the opportunity of going through the affairs of each Court of Wards' estate with the Deputy Commissioner of the several districts, and he found little difficulty in obtaining from the District Officers a clear account of the position and prospects of the several estates, and of the special questions which required attention in each. He would commend a similar procedure to Commissioners of Division. Apart from the control which can be maintained by a proper scrutiny of reports and returns, there is the far more effective and practical control which can be secured by personal discussion of the facts and problems to be dealt with with the officers who are entrusted with their executive charge, and the Chief Commissioner is confident that if Commissioners would arrange, as the Commissioners of the Jubbulpore and Chhattisgarh Divisions did in fact—arrange during the year under review to discuss systematically the affairs of Court of Wards' estates when visiting the districts under their charge—the defects which he has had for the past two years to notice would soon cease to exist.

Another step which he thinks might with advantage be taken for improving Court of Wards' work, is to utilize more fully the services of Assistant Commissioners in supervising this work, under the control of the Deputy Commissioners. Such work, if done with care and thoroughness, would give these young officers a knowledge of Revenue Procedure and Accounts which they could scarcely obtain in any other way, and by bringing them into

immediate practical contact with the actual relations between landlord and tenant, would be an invaluable training for their future duties as Deputy Commissioners.

The Chief Commissioner desires that Commissioners will see that all Assistant Commissioners under training are given a definite share in Court of Wards' work. The character of the work done by them, and the extent to which they have aided the Deputy Commissioner in his control of the Court of Wards, should be noticed in next year's reports.

An acknowledgment may appropriately be made here of the great help towards the improvement of Court of Wards' work, which has been afforded by the detailed local audit of the accounts of estates under management. The audit notes by the Examiner of Local Accounts which have from time to time been submitted to the Chief Commissioner have been, in nearly all cases, most detailed, practical and thorough, and the care with which they are now dealt with by Commissioners and Deputy Commissioners will do much to remove the defects in management which still exist, and to secure greater uniformity of system than has hitherto prevailed.

14. There is, as is usual, a great difference in the scope and interest of the several District Reports submitted, and the Chief Commissioner is again unable to say much in praise of many of them. Those from Narsinghpur and Bhandara are the best, and Mr. Woodburn notices with satisfaction that in both these cases the care and thought shown in the preparation of the reports is associated with especially good work done during the year. Mr. Phillips evidently takes a keen interest in Court of Wards' management, and the results of the year show clear evidence of the close control which he has exercised. Revenue collections have been efficient, resources have been made the most of, and no question which called for attention appear to have been neglected. Similarly, as regards Bhandara, the Commissioner notes that "the Officiating Deputy Commissioner (Mr. H. M. Laurie) has taken much interest in this branch of his duty, and I consider that the Court of Wards' management has greatly improved since he took charge of the District."

In Balaghat and Raipur management appears also to have been efficient.

In Bilaspur, on the other hand, the management during the year, as the Commissioner rightly points out, "shows failure in many directions," and much will have to be done before it can be put on a satisfactory footing. In Jubbulpore there was a considerable measure of improvement, but matters had in former years been allowed to drift into such thoroughly bad order, that unremitting attention will be needed to put and keep things straight. In Saugor and Hoshangabad there is also much room for improvement, and the Chief Commissioner trusts that efforts will now be made to secure this.

With reference to the instructions which were given in the last clause of paragraph 16 of the Resolution on Court of Wards' administration, the Chief Commissioner observes that in the Jubbulpore Division the remarks added to the District Reports are of the most brief and meagre description, while, except in Jubbulpore itself, the "general note" which was prescribed, giving for the whole district the main features of the year's management, pointing out any defects in Local Administration, and giving the Commissioner's opinion on the work done by the Manager and Deputy Commissioner, has been entirely omitted.

On the other hand, Mr. Anderson, in the Nagpur Division, and Colonel Bowie, in the Nerbudda Division, have discussed the statistics of each estate with care and discrimination, and have made practical suggestions which cannot fail to be useful to District Officers. The notes by Colonel Thomas for the important estates of the Chhattisgarh Division are also very full and precise, and show that he is giving very close and thoughtful attention to Court of Wards' management. The Chief Commissioner desires to thank these officers for the pains they have taken in carrying out his instructions, and for the care which they have devoted to Court of Wards' management in their divisions.

ORDER.—Ordered, that a copy of this Resolution, and of its annexures, with the usual number of spare copies, be submitted to the Government of India in the Revenue and Agricultural Department; that copies be forwarded to all Commissioners, Deputy Commissioners and Settlement Officers; that copies be distributed according to the sanctioned distribution list, and that the Resolution be published in the *Central Provinces Gazette*.

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SAUGOR DISTRICT.

(*a*) Dhana.—[*Income Rs.* 41,432-9-5, *Liabilities* Nil].—The question of succession to this property is still under litigation. The plea of adoption set up by Balkrishna Minor has been set aside, and his claim has been dismissed by the Civil Judge, Hoshangabad, by whom the case was tried. Against this order an appeal has been filed by Balkrishna before the Judicial Assistant to the Commissioner, Jubbulpore and Nerbudda Divisions. Col. T. W. Hoog, Deputy Commr.

The Court of Wards is retaining possession as usual, and will continue to do so until the appeal in question is finally disposed of. The certificate granted by Rai Bhogchand to Heeralall Tewari of Dhana (one of the rival claimants to the property) was last year revoked by order of the Civil Judge, Saugor. An appeal has been filed against this order by Heeralall Tewari and is now pending in the Court of the Judicial Commissioner, Nagpur. The case is being conducted by the Government Pleader on behalf of the Court of Wards.

During the year under review, a sum of Rs. 4,571-0-7 has been spent on estate improvement, the chief works being the construction of a road from Sehejpur to Kerpani, the repairs of other roads in the estate, the construction of field embankments, wells, &c.

A sum of Rs. 412 was invested in the purchase of a house at Mauzah Benaika for the storage of grain, and Rs. 3,168 was expended in the construction of four kothas in Saugor Ganj Bazar.

Owing to Lalla Nand Kishore having expressed his unwillingness to make any further advances of seed-grain in accordance with the instructions laid down in Chief Commissioner's Resolution No. 516-50, grain was last year purchased by the Court of Wards and advanced to tenants. This has been realized in full. Arrears to some extent have accrued in Mauzah Benaika only, and this is mainly due to the fact that the crops were considerably damaged in this village by frost and rust.

Rent collections show well. Of the current demand only Rs. 857-3-10 or 2·6 per cent. are outstanding; in arrears Rs. 519-7-0 or 15·4 per cent. remain uncollected. A sum of Rs. 10,949-14-0 has been found due to Lalla Nand Kishore on account of grain advances made by him to the Court of Wards tenants.

Settlement operations have been completed in Mauzah Semrakalan (a village under usufructuary mortgage of the estate), and the Government jama in accordance with the new settlement papers has been announced. The figures of the last settlement compare as follows with the new settlement figures:—

	Last Settlement.			New Settlement.		
	Rs.	a.	p.	Rs.	a.	p.
Assets	1,678	9	9	1,726	10	2
Government jama, cesses and additional rates.	595	0	0	1,022	9	0
Profits ...	1,083	9	9	704	1	2

disclosing a difference of Rs. 379-8-7 in the profits accruing. Other villages of the estate are still under settlement operations.

[*Commissioner's remarks.*—Rent collections were good, the uncollected balance being insignificant. Only Rs. 4,521 was spent during the year on improvements. Probably the Deputy Commissioner thought it useless to undertake any large work when he might any day have to hand over the estate towards which he at present occupies the position of a stake-holder merely.]

(*a*) Tajpur.—[*Income Rs.* 1,168-7-7, *Liabilities Rs.* 5,463-6-9].—The estate consists of only one village and is still heavily encumbered. The ward is still learning business with banking firms.

The cash allowance of Rs. 100 has been discontinued at the request of the ward's mother, and Sir land given to her instead.

Rent collections have been satisfactory, the demand having been realized in full.

During the year under report a sum of Rs. 400 has been paid towards the liquidation of the debt due by the estate. Out of this amount Rs. 133-3-6 was paid on account of principal and Rs. 266-12-6 on account of interest.

Settlement operations in the village have been completed and the new Government jama announced. The figures of the new settlement compared with those of the last settlement stand as follows:—

	Last Settlement.			New Settlement.		
	Rs.	a.	p	Rs.	a.	p.
Assets	986	1	6	1,114	10	5
Government jama, cesses and additional rates...	460	0	0	663	5	0
Profits ...	526	1	6	451	5	5

showing an apparent decrease of Rs. 74-12-1 in the profits.

The estate being insolvent and heavily encumbered, nothing has been spent during the year under review on improvements.

[*Commissioner's remarks.*—The progress made in paying off the debts is extremely slow. When management was assumed in 1879 a sum of Rs 9,750 was due. By the end of September 1893 this had been reduced to Rs. 5,463. The jama has been just raised at the revision of settlement by Rs. 200, which will apparently absorb the entire sum now available for repayment of debt, as only Rs. 133 was paid off during the year under report, during which jama was paid at the old rate. The Deputy Commissioner has been asked to report on the prospects of paying off the debt still due on the estate.]

(*a*) Etawa.—[*Income Rs.* 12,140-9-5, *Liabilities Rs.* 10,787-4-6].—The estate consists of the same number of villages as last year. The malguzari villages of the estate are all managed by Thekedars holding under the Court of Wards.

The disqualified proprietor, Rao Raghunath Rao, has enjoyed good health during the year. He is said to have lived throughout the year at his house at Etawa, paying frequent visits to his two revenue-free villages of the Kurwai estate.

During the year under report the leases of four villages of the estate fell in, and these villages have been re-leased to the former lessees for one year at a decrease in jama of Rs. 44.

A sum of Rs. 7,000 has been paid during the year under review towards the liquidation of the debts due by the estate. Out of this Rs. 6,200-6-0 was on account of principal and Rs. 799-10-0 on account of interest.

The progress made towards the liquidation of the debts has been most satisfactory, as is evidenced by the fact that during the year a sum of Rs. 4,500 more than the annual stipulated instalment was paid.

A drinking-water well has been rebuilt during the year at Mauzah Rusulla at a cost of Rs. 150.

The disqualified proprietor applied during the year for the release of his estate and objected to money being spent on estate improvements, urging that all available funds should be spent on liquidation of the debts. The rent collections have been satisfactory.

The villages of the estate are still under settlement operations.

[*Commissioner's remarks.*—The debt, which amounted to Rs. 38,121 in 1880, has now been reduced to Rs. 10,787, and the 'Talukdar' has been informed that as soon as he can raise the money to pay off this balance he is at liberty to do so and receive back his estate.]

(*b*) Barha.—[*Income Rs.* 2,010-10-1, *Liabilities* Nil].—The estate consists of only two villages, *viz.*, Barha and Talanpur.

The proprietor is still an inmate of the Jubbulpore Lunatic Asylum. The cost of his maintenance has been the same as last year, and is met from the funds of the estate.

Enquiries have on several occasions been made from the Ranis in order to ascertain what arrangements were being made by them for the marriage of their daughter.

From the last reply received from them on the subject, it appears that they have experienced great difficulty in getting a husband for the girl from among their own caste-people owing to the fact of Raja Mardan Shah having killed a man. With a view to overcome the difficulty and remove the blame attaching to the family, a sum of Rs. 100 has been sanctioned to enable the Ranis to go to the Ganges and clear themselves from the blame resting on the family. After the performance of this customary rite no difficulty, it is believed, will be found in securing a suitable husband for the girl.

Rent collections have been satisfactory as the demand has been realized in full.

The estate is a small one and there is little or no scope for estate improvement. A sum of Rs. 300, however, has been provided in the budget for the coming year for embanking Sir fields.

Steps will also be taken to improve the water-supply of the two villages of the estate.

The tenants of the estate are deeply involved in debt, and their holdings are also heavily encumbered. It has, therefore, been found impossible to make any advances of seed-grain as contemplated last year. All legitimate assistance has, however, been given to the tenants to enable them to redeem their holdings.

[*Commissioner's remarks.*—A small estate of two villages. The proprietor, Mardan Shah, is a criminal lunatic in the Jubbulpore Asylum, where he is likely to continue, as it was found that he had killed a man while in a state of insanity.

Nothing was spent in either years on improvements, though there was a cash balance at the close of the year of Rs. 2,570. The Deputy Commissioner now promises to do something.]

(*a*) Mohara.—[*Income Rs.* 1,549-0-4, *Liabilities* Nil].—The general position of the estate, which consists of only one village, is almost the same as last year. The two minors, who are now 16 and 12 years of age, respectively, live with their mother at Mohara and attend the village school at Sehora. Their progress with their studies has not been altogether satisfactory. The two lads are dull and stupid, having no inclination to learn, and are inattentive and irregular in their attendance.

The seed-grain advanced to the tenants of the estate has been realized in full. The rent collections have also been quite satisfactory, and there are no rent arrears.

The settlement operations in the village have been completed, and the new Government jama has been announced.

[*Commissioner's remarks.*—This is another insignificant estate, comprising only one village with a rental of Rs. 688, which was all collected.

Nothing was spent on estate improvement, but at the close of the year there was a balance of Rs. 493, besides Rs. 5,400 invested.]

DAMOH DISTRICT.

Mr. F. C. Cooke, I. C. S., Deputy Commr.

(*a*) Singrampur.—[*Income Rs.* 1,187-14-7, *Liabilities Rs.* 2,723-1-7].—This estate consists of seven whole villages and was taken under management in January 1880, on account of debt. The proprietor, Gulzar Singh, is a Gond of about 53 years of age. He has four sons, all adults. There are also co-sharers owning a four-anna share. Singrampur lies on the Jubbulpore road, half way between Damoh and Jubbulpore. The soil is not very rich and mainly suited for kharif crops. The uncultivated area is nearly six times the cultivated.

Income from all sources amounts to Rs. 1,211-14-10. Receipts under the head of 'Sair' have increased from Rs. 51-14-0 last year to Rs. 168, chiefly owing to a good mohwa crop and better arrangements for protecting and disposing of it will be made. The rent demand was Rs. 1,071-13-3, of which Rs. 921-13-4 was collected, leaving Rs. 149-15-11 in arrears. Of the arrears demand of Rs. 192-9-3, Rs. 70-9-3 was collected, leaving Rs. 122 still uncollected. The total arrears were therefore Rs. 271-15-11. These results are not good, but further collections, amounting to Rs. 197-12-8, were made in October just after the year closed. This amount was due by the proprietor himself for land cultivated by him. Owing to the difficulty experienced in recovering rent from him this land has been taken from him, and he now only holds Sir land sufficient to support him and his family, for which he pays no rent. At the present time the arrears are only Rs. 74-3-0, of which only Rs. 5-5-11 are on account of previous years. This will, it is hoped, be collected with the January kist. As in Konda and indeed more or less throughout the district, the rabi crops were much damaged by frost and rust.

The jama and cesses—hitherto Rs. 663-11-0—will increase this year to Rs. 1,028-7-0, with estimated rental of only Rs. 1,415-12-0. After paying the Patwaris and Kotwars' dues the profits will not exceed Rs. 350. This includes rental value of Sir. Of this, land to the annual value of Rs. 88-12-0, is with the proprietors, rent free.

This will render repayment of debt very difficult. A sum of Rs. 2,723-1-7 remains to be paid. The Deputy Commissioner proposed in June and the Commissioner sanctioned the sale of a portion of the valuable teak in the Sagoni Forest with a view to reducing the debt. Steps were taken to carry this out, and the sale was advertised in this district and in Jubbulpore. In August, however, the Forest Department revived a long dormant proposal for annexing the whole area of Sagoni to the Singrampur Reserve in exchange for the village of Deori now in the Forest. On this account probably no offers for the teak were received. There is a garden at Singrampur, but there is no income from it, and the garden itself is not a success. The gardener has been discontinued.

The proprietors were hitherto allowed 162·30 acres of Sir land for maintenance. It has been found necessary to reduce this to 101·25, of which about a half is held by Gulzar Singh and his sons, and a half by the other co-sharers. This should suffice to maintain them, and it is all that can be afforded.

(*a*) Khari Deori.—[*Income Rs.* 2,145-14-5, *Liabilities Rs.* 1,921-13-3].—This estate was taken over by the Court of Wards in October 1885 owing to the indebtedness of the proprietor, Latkan Singh. He is a Gond of about 47 years of age, and lives at Pumhori on his estate in the extreme south of the district. He is without children, and has on this account lately married a second wife. There are twelve villages. They are jungly; the soil is inferior and the tenants poor.

The total receipts are Rs. 2,166-4-5; of this rent collections amount to Rs. 2,108-3-4; collections on account of the current year amount to 96 per cent. of the demand.

The Government revenue and cesses amounts to only Rs. 496-8-0, on a rent-roll of Rs. 2,136. This year under the new settlement the jama and cesses will increase to about Rs. 1,500, the assets being taken at Rs. 2,680. Nothing was spent on improvements or takavi owing to the indebted condition of the estate. The balance left to pay off is not large, being only Rs. 1,921-13-3, but the increase of the jama by the new settlement will render repayment

slower than it could otherwise have been. The debt when the estate was taken over was Rs. 8,000. In seven years Rs. 4,800 had been paid off. During the current year, Rs. 1,269-1-9 (exclusive of interest) has been paid.

The present allowance to the proprietor is Rs. 250 a year besides 130· acres of Sir land free of rent. This appears excessive, and it is proposed to discontinue the cash allowance. The Sir land is ample to maintain the proprietor and his two wives, and now the profits have been so diminished by the new settlement that the proprietor should bear a portion of the loss. The balance in the Treasury at the close of the year was Rs. 70-14-5.

(*a*) Hindoria.—[*Income Rs.* 3,608-10-2, *Liabilities Rs.* 143-11-0].—The estate comprises 17 whole villages, in seven of which rights are held by inferior proprietors. It is owned by Thakur Raghooraj Singh, a lad of 17 years of age, and was taken under management of the Court of Wards owing to his minority on the 1st July 1887. Raghooraj Singh lives at Damoh and studies in the 3rd English class at the 1st grade Middle School. He is making good progress. A private tutor is engaged to read with him at home. He has enjoyed good health throughout the year. His two younger brothers, Chet Singh and Debi Singh, aged 14 and 10 years respectively, live with their mother at Hindoria. They are studying in the school there. Chet Singh has passed the Upper Primary Examination, and will come to Damoh in April. Debi Singh is in the 4th class. Both attend school regularly and are making satisfactory progress. There are two sisters, one of whom is married, the other a child.

The whole taluka of 16 villages except Tigra, which was purchased recently by the Court of Wards, is held on an ubari tenure of Rs. 783 plus cesses, &c. There was a debt of about Rs. 2,600 when management was assumed, but this has been paid; a small balance remained, which has only recently become due. This has been paid off since the close of the year.

The rent demand was Rs. 2,875-2-10 which has been collected, except one sum of Rs. 4. This includes also the sir land let to sub-tenants. The forest area is very large, being three times the cultivated area. There is a large income from grazing and the sale of bamboos. There is a very large stock of grain at Hindoria, which is advanced to tenants at half siwai.

The receipts aggregate Rs. 3,864-5-2, and there was an opening balance of Rs. 953-11-10. A sum of Rs. 1,048-7-4 has been expended in estate improvements. This includes the building of four shops in the bazar, an enclosure wall to the grave yard adjoining the family temple, the building of an embankment wall and escape channel in a bank outside the tank of Hindoria, and repairs and improvements to four wells and a baoli (near Loharra). The balance at the close of the year was only Rs. 532-3-5, a sum not more than sufficient to pay current expenses.

The application of the Village Sanitation Act to this village having been negatived, orders have been received to appoint two sweepers to keep the village clean, who will be paid from the estate.

(*a*) Nibai.—[*Income Rs.* 961-7-7, *Liabilities* Nil].—This estate consists of one whole village, shares in five others, and one muafi, one malik-makbuza, and one occupancy holding in three villages. It was taken under the management of the Court of Wards on the 26th December 1888, owing to the minority of Ram Sahai, the proprietor, who is now 19 years of age. He lives at Nibai with his aunt and cultivates some of his Sir land. He has enjoyed good health during the year.

The total income of the last 12 months from all sources amounted to Rs. 1,132-8-7, and the expenditure to Rs. 1,042-2-1. There was an uninvested balance in cash of Rs. 478-9-4 to the credit of the estate at the close of the year. Out of the current rent demand of Rs. 932-12-11. Rs. 771-6-8 were collected, and Rs. 92 struck off as irrecoverable, leaving a balance of Rs. 70-6-3 for collection. Efforts were made to realise the balance, but as the rabi crop was much damaged by frost and rust, collection was somewhat difficult. Two sums of Rs. 92 each on account of arrear and current demand respectively were written off. This was the rent of certain Sir fields which are cultivated by the minor himself. Formerly, Rs. 10 per

month was allowed him for his maintenance, but recently some 40 acres of Sir land, rental Rs. 92, have been allotted to him rent free under the Chief Commissioner's sanction, conveyed in Revenue Secretary's No. 4921, dated the 20th December 1892.

A sum of Rs. 56-4-0 was advanced as takavi during the year to an occupancy tenant on the security of his holding.

Enquiries were made in accordance with the Commissioner's remarks last year with a view to ascertaining the needs of the villages of the estate with regard to wells. All were reported to be well off for water. The balance at the credit of the estate is not much in excess of current requirements, but a sum of Rs. 200 has been provided in the Budget. The *gauna* ceremonies on the ward's two sisters are to take place shortly and will absorb at least Rs. 200.

No absolute occupancy or occupancy tenants lost their rights during the year, nor were occupancy rights purchased under Section 62 of the Tenancy Act.

There is a stock of about 300 maunds of grain kept at Nibai, from which advances to tenants are made at half Siwai rates.

The new settlement assessment of the Hatta Tahsil villages in which this estate is situated has been announced, but will not take effect till July 1894.

(*a*) Tejgarh.—[*Income Rs.* 3,619-6-11, *Liabilities* Nil].—This estate consists of four whole villages and shares in nine others. It was taken under management on the 17th April 1890. The proprietor, Seth Bhojraj, is a minor of about twelve years of age. He lives with his mother at Tejgarh, where he attends the village school. He has reached the 5th class, and has already passed the Upper Primary Examination. It is proposed to bring him to Damoh in April to study in the Middle School. He is an intelligent boy of much promise. Besides a married sister, he has a younger one aged about nine years as yet unmarried. She attends the girls' school at Tejgarh. Both children enjoyed good health throughout the year.

In eight out of nine shares of villages, Seth Liladhar, the minor's uncle, is a co-sharer, and he is a Lambardar in five, making his own collections. Liladhar is heavily involved in debt, and is not on good terms with his sister-in-law and nephew. A proposal was made to purchase the mortgage on his property, but the balance at the credit of the estate was insufficient, and it would have been necessary to borrow about Rs. 4,000.

There is to the credit of the estate :—

	Rs.	a.	p.
Cash in hand	4,161	1	10
Invested in Government Promissory Notes ...	1,000	0	0
Rent arrears	96	9	2
Mahajni debts (cash)	1,03,237	11	8

The balance in hand is large, and the expenditure on estate improvements is not large, being only Rs. 421-8-0, of which Rs. 409-8-0 was spent in the construction of a new house for the minor at Tejgarh. More was not spent on account of the negotiations for the purchase of the mortgage on Liladhar's property. More will be done in this direction during the current year, but it seems desirable to lay by money so as to enable to purchase Liladhar's property. It has become impossible for him to pay off the debt, and the mortgage is certain to be foreclosed in a few years, when the Court may be able to arrange terms for its purchase.

The mercantile debts at the beginning of the year consisted of the following :—

	Rs.	a.	p.
Decreed	4,224	10	4
Due on bonds	20,335	14	4
Due on accounts	78,677	3	0
Total ...	1,03,237	11	8

Of the latter, debts amounting to Rs. 56,000 are repudiated by the persons whose names appear in the account books. The accounts were made up before the estate was taken over, and are all in the handwriting of one man who also wrote the signatures to the acknowledgments. These acknowledgments are unwitnessed, and there is therefore no evidence producible except this man's. The Deputy Commissioner has enquired into several of these accounts lately and finds them most suspicious. Many of them are for large amounts, Rs. 5,000 and Rs. 6,000, signed by men not worth Rs. 50 or Rs. 60. Nothing had been paid for many years, and the amount consisted almost entirely of interest. As soon as the enquiry is complete, application will be made to strike off these sums as irrecoverable. The minor's father died some five years before management was assumed, and it was in this interval that the mahajni accounts were allowed to get into such confusion.

During the year decrees for Rs. 3,891-9-11 were obtained, and bonds were executed for Rs. 1,699-15-3. The balance of debts due on accounts is now only Rs. 73,085-9-10.

Besides the above cash debts, there are old grain debts aggregating 10,734 maunds. These consist chiefly of interest (barhi) at Siwai rates, and compound interest even has been charged. The accounts appear no more trustworthy than the money accounts, but will be enquired into one by one.

Rent collections show favourably, aggregating Rs. 2,871-9-10 or 97·45 per cent. of the demand. Collection was, however, made with difficulty owing to the complete failure of the wheat crop, which in many fields remained uncut. This has affected the recoveries of debts principal), which this year is only Rs. 1,293-15-0 as against Rs. 2,249-8-5 last year.

A sum of Rs. 294-10-8 in excess of his allowance was drawn by Tajuddin, the late manager in the early part of the year. His whereabouts are not known, but steps have taken to recover this from his surety. The circumstance only became known to the Deputy Commissioner in July last, some months after his dismissal.

Personal expenses [Rs. 1,339) includes a sum of Rs. 175—two years' arrears pay of private servants of the family at Tejgarh. Sanction to their establishment was not received till the current year.

A tonga and a pair of bullocks were purchased in April for the use of the minor at his wish. Nothing was spent on takavi, but 1,308 maunds of grain were advanced to tenants. All requests for grain were complied with, and there was a balance left, which, as mentioned above, was sold.

(*a*) Gobra.—[*Income Rs.* 2,215-11-1, *Liabilities Rs.* 6,263-2-3].—This estate consists of 18 whole villages, of which 15 are held in full right and three in superior right only. Of these three, two are held by inferior proprietors, and one by a thekedar with protected status under Section 65-A of the Land Revenue Act. Three of the villages held in full right (Achalpura, Aonria and Hardua) have been assigned to pattidars and near relations of the Raja. The proprietor, Raja Khet Singh of Gobra, is a Gond of about 45 years of age. The estate is held ubarion one quarter jama. The Raja is an uneducated man, differing very little from a Gond cultivator of the ordinary type. The efforts to catch and educate his younger sons have not so far met with much success. He occupies himself with the cultivation of his Sir, of which he holds 81·50 acres free of rent. He receives besides this a maintenance allowance of Rs. 150 a year and is therefore not illiberally treated.

The rent demand for the year was Rs. 2,133-5-11, of which Rs. 2,034-3-10 were collected leaving Rs. 99-2-1 in arrears. The arrear demand of the previous year was Rs. 44-4-5, of which Rs. 17-0-1 was collected, leaving Rs. 27-4-4 still due. The estate consists of hilly villages in the south of the district. The soil is inferior, and the tenants are extremely poor. The rabi crop was much damaged by frost. It is expected, however, that the arrears will be recovered, unless the season should again prove unfavourable.

The management of the estate was assumed on the 1st October 1899, when the debt was Rs. 9,500. In the preceding years Rs. 2,598-1-3 had been paid off, and this year a further sum

of Rs. 738-12-6 (besides interest) has been paid. The balance of debt is Rs. 6,263-2-3. The ubari jama and cesses, formerly Rs. 243, have now increased to Rs. 536.

Nothing has this year been spent on estate improvements or on takavi to tenants. It was thought that while the debt was so large and swallowed up so large a sum annually in interest, the strictest economy should be practised; when it has been reduced to smaller proportions something can be done in this direction.

No absolute occupancy or occupancy tenures lapsed during the year, nor were any purchased under Section 62. No rent suits were instituted.

(*a*) Hatri.—[*Income Rs.* 11,562-9-10, *Liabilities Rs.* 29,399-2-0].—This is the largest and best estate under management. It consists of 30 whole villages, in one of which inferior proprietors hold rights, and two shares. Three of the villages (Suradehi, Bhagra, and Laklaka) are held by Thekadars who, in the settlement just concluded, have been granted a protected status under Section 65-A of the Land Revenue Act. The village of Rageda has been assigned by the Raja to his daughter for maintenance. One other village—Sagoria—has been held for 30 or 35 years by a distant relation of the Raja to whom it had been assigned for maintenance. The Raja is now anxious to resume this village, and the holder's rights are under enquiry. As, however, he has so long held possession undisturbed by the Raja, it seems inexpedient for the Court of Wards to attempt to oust him.

The taluka of 30 villages, excluding the shares, is held by the Raja on a quit rent of Rs. 500 for his life-time. Upon his death his sons will hold it on one-fourth jama. The Raja is a Lodhi by caste. He has an exaggerated idea of his own dignity and importance, but the family is not held in very high estimation by native society. They are uneducated and utterly incapable from a business point of view. The management of the estate was assumed in October 1891, the debts amounting to Rs. 35,000. The land is not of the best quality, and the area of jungle is very large. There is no Government forest in the taluka, all forest land having been left with the proprietor. The total income was Rs. 11,605-12-4. The current rent demand was Rs. 10,716-13-8 (excluding Sagoria), of which Rs. 10,565-15-9 (98·59 per cent.) was collected leaving Rs. 150-13-0 still due. The arrears demand (excluding this village) was Rs. 100-10-2, of which Rs. 56-8-3 have been collected and Rs. 13-11-2 written off. The unrecovered balance is Rs. 30-6-9. The total arrears are thus Rs. 181-4-8, not a large amount considering the size and income of the estate. They would probably have been collected had the rabi crop been a better one.

The income from forests (Rs. 102-14-0) is small. The forests are large, but there are no roads by which timber could be removed, consequently there is very little sale. There used to be a considerable income from lac, but of late years the lac throughout the district has failed, and even the Forest Department has had to forego its revenue under this head. Now, however, lac production is recommencing, and a three-years contract has been given at Rs. 325 a year.

The Raja was at one time very anxious to get his estate back, offering to borrow and pay in the necessary sums. This was, however, vetoed, and he has now resigned himself to the inevitable. The estate will probably be free from debt in six years' time.

The personal expenses include only the very handsome allowances sanctioned to the Raja and his family, aggregating Rs. 2,900 a year. Besides this they are allowed 332 acres of Sir land near Patna, free of rent. The Raja professes to find this insufficient, and this year he had to be assisted with an advance to enable him to obtain seed-grain. This, however, will be recovered from his allowance.

No estate improvements were effected during the year, nor were any takavi loans made other than grain loans. It was considered that the estate being an indebted one, economy should be practised, but if ordered something can be done during the present year.

A total sum of Rs. 4,411-4-6 has been paid to the creditors, of which Rs. 3,012-2-6 went to repayment of principal. The balance of debt is now Rs. 29,399-2-0.

No absolute occupancy or occupancy tenancies lapsed during the year, but three absolute occupancy tenants sold their rights to ordinary tenants. No suits for rent arrears were instituted.

(*a*) Konda Kallan.—[*Income Rs.* 1,210-6-10, *Liabilities Rs.* 9,500].—This estate consists of five whole villages and a 13-anna share in a sixth—Konda Kallan. The management was assumed by the Court of Wards in November 1890, owing to the indebtedness of the proprietor. He is a Gond—Dariyao Singh—aged about 55. He has four co-sharers, all adults.

Dariyao Singh lives at Piparia in order to look after a large embankment there which encloses some 80 acres of the best land on the estate. He suffered much from fever during the hot weather and rains, but is now recovering. The estate adjoins Singrampur, and the proprietors are related, but have for many years been separate. There is a very large area shown as uncultivated—over 4,000 acres—equal to 2½ times the cultivated area. The jungle, however, is of very little value and almost the only receipt is from mohwa. This has been stored up, but not sold as yet: it will be sold when the price rises.

The rent demand for the year was Rs. 1,235-0-11, of which Rs. 1,155-11-4 has been collected, leaving an arrear of Rs. 79-5-7. Two-thirds of the arrears are due from the proprietor himself for land held on rent. This has been resumed, and in future he will be allowed to hold no more than is absolutely necessary for his maintenance. Dariyao Singh has had to pay up some arrears of Government takavi this year, and last season's rabi crop was so bad that in many fields it did not pay to reap it.

The interest on the debt amounts to Rs. 540 annually. Nothing had been paid in 1891-92, or since the execution of the deed on the 1st July 1891. This year Rs. 575 has been paid, which still leaves Rs. 640 more than a year's interest in arrears. The jama and cesses have now been increased from Rs. 516-15-5 to Rs. 933, and the income of the estate is not estimated to exceed Rs. 1,663-3-0, after deducting the value of the land held rent free by the proprietors.

The proprietors have hitherto held 141·46 acres of Sir rent free besides the "bandhan" referred to above. In future they will hold only 70 acres of Sir land, free of rent, which should suffice to maintain them.

DISTRICT JUBBULPORE.

(*a*) Budhagarh.—[*Income Rs.* 29,973-13-4, *Liabilities Rs.* 22,571-9-0].—As explained in last year's Report, the management of this estate was carried on through the proprietor up to June 1892, and since then it has been under direct management. Mr. A. C. Duff, I. C. S., Deputy Commr.

Beohar Nirpat Singh, the former proprietor, died in March last, but the estate was allowed to remain under management owing to its indebtedness, as well as on account of the minority of the present proprietor, Beohar Raghubir Singh, son of the late Beohar Nirpat Singh. The minor is in his 19th year and is attending the preparatory class in the Government College here. He is a promising youth and is making fair progress in his studies. He is, however, constitutionally not very strong. He is now the only male member in the family, which consists of himself, his grandmother, step-mother, aunt and four sisters, one of whom has been married and three are yet to be married.

The following table shows demands, collections and balances on account of rent:—

	Demands.	Collections.	Balances.
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
Current	28,722-2-5	24,802-11-6	3,927-2-8
Arrears	3,691-1-11	1,530-12-9	2,160-5-2
Total ...	32,413-4-4	26,333-8-3	6,087-7-10

Of the arrears, amounting to Rs. 6,087-7-10, the sum of Rs. 691-13-3 has been written off, and a further reduction of Rs. 1,224-12-3 has been made as per details below :—

	Rs.	a.	p.
Suits filed	286	13	0
Struck off since the close of the year	62	7	9
Collected do. do.	500	4	0
Suspended by order of the Commissioner (in villages in the Mandla District)	375	3	6
Total ...	1,224	12	3

The arrears now outstanding thus amount to Rs. 4,170-14-4. The large amount outstanding is due to the failure of rabi crops, both in this as well as in the Mandla District. In the villages in the Mandla District the damage caused to crops was so great that even the Government kist was suspended. Energetic efforts are being made to collect the arrears, and it is hoped that the greater portion will be collected in the course of the year.

The following table shows the opening and closing balances to the credit of the estate, as also total receipts and expenditure of the year :—

	Rs.	a.	p.
Opening balance	1,517	14	10
Receipts during the year including debts recovered.	30,793	12	7
Total ...	32,311	11	5
Expenditure	29,148	10	1
Closing balance ...	3,163	1	4

The income under the head Forests is Rs. 1,571-1-6 as compared with Rs. 961-3-11 in last year. The increase is mainly due to the *kurra* contract of the villages in the Mandla District having been sold for Rs. 300, whereas last year it was not leased. Rupees 372 shown last year against "V—Other sair and manorial dues" in last year's statement represent income from sale of grass and *kurra* which should have been shown under Forests, and not under this head.

Personal expenses have risen from Rs. 999-15-0 in last year to Rs. 2,113-15-0 in the year under report. The increase is mainly due to a sum of Rs. 1,000 having been paid for the funeral ceremony of the late Beohar Nirpat Singh and to an item of Rs. 114 having been paid as medical practitioner's fee for attending on him and his family.

Investment in other loans or Takavi.

Under this head there is a considerable falling off, the figures being Rs. 3,530-10-7 in last year and only Rs. 179-0-9 this year. An explanation of this large decrease is to be found in the fact that last year there was a large outstanding on account of rental arrears, and such of the arrears for which either bonds were obtained or suits were filed, were shown as recoveries under rents and as expenditure under loans made. Thus it will be seen that no cash loans were actually advanced.

Debts due by the estate amounted to Rs. 32,751-3-0 at the beginning of the year. Towards liquidation of these Rs. 10,179-10-0 were paid in the course of the year, leaving an outstanding balance of Rs. 22,571-9-0. It is expected that this sum will be repaid in about two or three years more.

After the demise of the late Beohar Nirpat Singh, an application was made to the Deputy Commissioner by one Ganpat Balbhaddar of Jubbulpore for the inclusion of debts amounting to Rs. 13,404-9-3 borrowed from by the late Beohar after the assumption of the management of his estate without the knowledge or sanction of the Court of Wards. The Deputy Commis-

sioner rejected the application, declining to recognize the debt as a Court of Wards debt, as the ward was disqualified to incur fresh debts, under Section 23 (1) of the Government Wards Act, and under a condition specially inserted in the agreement given when the management of the estate was first assumed in 1875.

The stock of grain in hand at the close of last year was 1,032 maunds, 27 seers, 13 chattaks; of this 750 maunds were sold during the year, leaving a balance of 282 maunds, 27 seers, 13 chattaks in hand at the close of the year.

(*Commissioner's remarks.*—This is a large estate of 58 villages belonging to the Beohar family. It has been under management for debt ever since 1875. The debts, which originally amounted to Rs. 1,31,662, have now been reduced to Rs. 22,571, and another couple of years, about, should see the estate free. By that time too the present proprietor, who is 19, will have attained full age.

Of the year's demand on account of rent, *viz.*, Rs. 28,722, only Rs. 24,802 was collected, the reason being the badness of last year's rabi crop, especially in Mandla, where some of the villages are situated. This is a true reason, and it is not surprising that the demand could not be collected in full. Of the arrear demand of Rs. 3,691, only Rs. 1,531 was collected.

Personal expenses and miscellaneous have risen from Rs. 999-15-0 and Rs. 647-9-7 to Rs. 2,113-15-0 and Rs. 749-8-10 respectively. The reason is explained in Deputy Commissioner's note, *viz.*, the funeral expenses of the late Beohar Nirpat Singh and medical fees during his illness.

The estate being still in debt nothing was spent on improvements.)

(*a*) Bajrangarh.—[*Income Rs.* 5,640-7-9, *Liabilities Rs.* 21,451-7-6].—This estate has been under management from the 1st January 1876. Formerly it was known by the two names of Kuarpur and Bajrangarh, but from 1888 both estates are treated as one, and are under management on the applications of the proprietors declaring themselves to be incapable of managing their estates, under sanction conveyed in Junior Secretary to the Chief Commissioner's letter No. 676-S, dated the 7th June 1888. Thakur Bir Singh Deo, one of the proprietors, is a very old man, having now completed his 82nd year.

Receipts from all sources excluding debts recovered amounted to Rs. 5,683-7-9 as against Rs. 7,036-3-8 in the previous year. The falling off is mainly due to there being a very small amount of arrears of previous years for collection during the year under report as compared with those in last year.

The rental demand on account of the current year was Rs. 6,007-7-5 and that on account of arrears Rs. 672-7-3. Of this Rs. 5,258-6-1 were collected towards current and Rs. 352-5-7 towards arrear demand, leaving an outstanding of Rs. 1,069-3-0; of this latter sum Rs. 338 have been collected since the close of the year, and the rest are in train of collection.

The total sum expended during the year was Rs. 5,376-2-6 including Rs. 2,000 paid in repayment of debt (principal Rs. 1,169 and interest Rs. 831), The year opened with a balance of Rs. 339-14-2 and closed with that of Rs. 647-3-5.

The amount of debts due by the estate at the close of the year was Rs. 22,620-7-6; of this Rs. 1,169 were paid in the course of the year under report. The balance consists of the following items:—

	Rs.	a.	p.
Due to Raja Raghunath Rao	12,681	0	0
„ to Hari Anrudh	2,000	0	0
„ to Kirat Singh	6,770	7	6
Total ...	21,451	7	6

Kirat Sing is now dead, leaving behind him two widows, Mustt. Agar Kuar and Ram Kuar, who are members of the proprietary body of the estate.

The estate has no stock of grain of its own, and owing to its being heavily encumbered it is not possible to devote any sum to purchasing a stock of seed grain or to carrying out estate improvements.

(*Commissioner's remarks.*—This is another indebted estate which has been under management for 18 years. The debts, which originally amounted to Rs. 52,588, are still shown as aggregating Rs. 21,451, but it appears that of this sum Rs. 6,770 is a debt due by the co-sharers *inter se*. This is not a debt "due by the estate", and the Deputy Commissioner has been informed that it can be excluded from the statements. This reduces the amount of debt to Rs. 14,681.

Rent collections were only Rs. 5,611 against Rs. 6,971 in the previous year, but the latter figure included arrears. The demand for the year was Rs. 6,007, of which Rs. 5,258 was collected.

Personal expenses and miscellaneous were kept within very moderate figures.

Of course no estate improvements were attempted with such a load of debt to be paid off.)

(*a*) Khitola.—[*Income Rs.* 15,362-7-11, *Liabilities* Nil.]—The management of this estate was assumed on the 25th of July 1881 owing to the minority of Niranjan Prashad, the proprietor thereof. He attained his majority during the current year, and the estate was handed over to him shortly after the close of the year, under sanction conveyed in Revenue Secretary to the Chief Commissioner's letter No. 3107, dated the 6th July 1893. The estate would have been handed over earlier to the proprietor, but at his own request it was allowed to remain under management till the close of the year with the approval of the Commissioner of the Division—*vide* his letter No. 5806, dated the 28th July 1893.

The estate had a cash balance of Rs. 33,528-4-1 to its credit at the close of the year, besides the Rs. 6,000 invested in Government promissory notes. It is to be regretted that so large a cash balance was handed over to the proprietor, but it was unavoidable, as there was no chance of investing the surplus either in improvements or in the purchase of new villages. The rental demand on account of the current year amounted to Rs. 12,688-5-8, and that on account of arrears to Rs. 584-2-4 making up a total of Rs. 13,272-8-0. Of this sum Rs. 11,158-7-9 were collected on account of current demand and Rs. 431-6-10 on account of arrears, leaving a balance of Rs. 1,682-9-5. As the estate had to be handed over to the proprietor and accounts had to be closed, collections had therefore to be stopped in the month of September owing to which there was such a large outstanding.

Debts due to the estate were reduced from Rs. 24,803-11-5 in last year to Rs. 21,685-8-9 during the current year. A sum of Rs. 752-1-0 was spent on estate improvements.

This estate, having a large balance of grain of its own, used to make its own advances of seed grain to tenants on the favourable terms referred to in Revenue Secretary to the Chief Commissioner's No. 516-50, dated the 19th February 1892.

(*Commissioner's remarks.*—This estate has been given back since the close of the year as the ward has attained his majority, and cash to the extent of Rs 33,528 besides Rs. 6,000 in Government promissory notes was handed over to him.

Fortunately the Deputy Commissioner is able to report that he is not extravagantly inclined. Much of the cash balance should have been invested long ago. In September 1891 it amounted to Rs 18,054 and in September 1892 to Rs. 25,971.

Here was a case of an estate in which much might have been done in past years in the shape of improvements. It would, however, have been hardly appropriate to spend large sums in this manner, without the consent of the ward, just before relinquishing the estate.)

(a) Pounda.—[*Income Rs.* 18,846-13-10, *Liabilities* Nil].—**Bishun Dutt Shukal, the proprietor of the estate, is the most promising of all the male wards whose estates are under the management of the Court of Wards. He alone has made marked progress in his studies. He is now in his eighteenth year and will probably appear for the F. A. Examination this year. He is well conducted, and the Deputy Commissioner is satisfied with him in every way.**

The whole of the liabilities, amounting to Rs. 5,500 at the beginning of the year, have been paid off in the course of the year. Rs. 123-11-9, on account of interest on a part of the loan due to the Khitola estate (since relinquished), were not paid when a payment of Rs. 1,000 was made in April last. They have since the close of the year been paid up. Another item of Rs. 90 was due to Malukchand of Sihora on account of interest. As over Rs. 12,000 have been paid to this man on account of interest only, he was asked to remit this sum, and he has since renounced his claim to the amount.

The rental demand on account of current and previous years amounted respectively to Rs. 14,245-8-2 and Rs. 646-6-7. Of this sum Rs. 13,283-10-4 (excluding Re. 1 collected in advance for the ensuing year) were collected on current demand and Rs. 442-5-1 on account of arrears. The unrealized balance amounted to Rs. 1,023-5-1, leaving out Rs. 142-10-3 struck off as irrecoverable.

The year opened with a balance of Rs. 1,703-9-11 and closed with that of Rs. 4,029-4-8; the total income from all sources and expenditure were Rs. 19,102-6-4 and Rs. 16,781-2-7 respectively.

The account of debts due to the estate stands thus:—

	Rs.	a.	p.
Balance due at the close of last year (column 16 of last year's Statement I)	13,441	10	0
Add sums advanced this year (side head XI of this year's Statement III)	70	8	6
Total ...	13,512	2	6
Deduct recoveries made this year (side head XI of this year's Statement II)	255	8	6
Balance outstanding ...	13,256	10	0

It is to be regretted that in this as well as in other estates under management, very little attention was paid in the past to the collection of debts. The matter was much neglected, so much so that no registers were kept of bonds and other loans, and no information was given to the moharrirs of the various estates about the debts outstanding. The Deputy Commissioner has now ordered lists to be made out of the bonds, and these lists have now nearly been completed. But it is probable that the greater portion of the debts is now irrecoverable, being either barred by limitation or being due by persons who have either absconded, died or have become insolvent. Efforts will be made to recover as much as can be recovered, and in other cases to get fresh bonds from such persons as can be induced to renew their bonds.

The total quantity of grain in hand at the commencement of the year was 2,787 maunds, 14 seers, 6 chattaks. Receipts during the year amounted to 2,655 maunds, 11 seers, 14 chattaks and expenditure to 3,181 maunds, 12 seers, 8 chattaks, leaving a closing balance of 2,261 maunds, 13 seers, 12 chattaks. It will thus be seen that the estate has a large stock of grain of its own, and can afford to make its own advances to tenants on the favourable terms mentioned in Secretariat letter No. 516—50, dated the 19th February 1892.

(*Commissioner's remarks.*—This estate was in debt to the extent of Rs. 64,000 when management was assumed in 1882. The debts have at last been cleared off during the year under report.

It is unsatisfactory to notice what the Deputy Commissioner reports in regard to debts due to the estate having become irrecoverable, and this illustrates the necessity for steps being every where taken (as suggested in Revenue Secretary's No. 253, dated the 12th January last) to have proper registers of all debts kept. There can be no doubt that the supervision over estate management has been very lax in the Jubbulpore District until recently.

The estate having been hitherto in debt, it was not to be expected that much could be done in the shape of improvements.)

(*a*) **Pounsra.**— [*Income Rs.* 862-11-7, *Liabilities* Nil].—The management of this estate was assumed in 1882, owing to the minority of the ward—Mustt. Lalta Bai—who is a Brahmin girl. She is now 14 years old (the age 11 years, 6 months given in past reports being incorrect) and it is considered to be time that she should be married. It was under contemplation to marry her last year, but it could not be arranged owing to no suitable partner having been selected for her. She is now living with her maternal uncle, and has two cousins.

The estate consists of three entire villages. The Bhag system obtains here, but in the majority of cases grain rents have been converted into cash rents. Exact information on the point is not yet forthcoming, as the revised jama has not been announced for all the three villages of the estate. Information on this head will be furnished as soon as it is collected.

Total r ental demand for collection was Rs. 605-6-9 made up of Rs. 583-14-9 on account of current demand and of Rs. 21-8-0 on account of arrears. The whole of this with the exception of Rs. 22-8-0 was collected, exclusive of Rs. 9-8-0 remitted and struck off as irrecoverable. Total receipts of the year amounted to Rs. 862-11-7, and total expenditure to Rs. 804-7-11. The year opened with a cash balance of Rs. 1,986-3-3 and closed with that of Rs. 2,044-6-11. Besides this sum Rs. 1,000 have been invested in Government promissory notes. Debts due to the estate amounted to Rs. 146-8-0. No part of this could be collected during the year owing to the badness of rabi crops. Endeavours will be made to realize the sums due in the course of this year.

The suit for possession of the estate brought by the cousins of the ward, referred to in last year's report, was dismissed, as also the appeal against the order of dismissal. A second appeal is to be made to the Judicial Commissioner, but the Deputy Commissioner has not as yet received any official notice of it.

The estate has no grain of its own, and no advances are made from it to tenants who procure their seed grain from other adjoining villages.

Arrangements will be made this year to purchase seed grain from the surplus balance of the estate and to advance it to tenants.

(*Commissioner's remarks.*—The ward is a girl of 14, whose marriage is under contemplation. The Deputy Commissioner should take steps to arrange for marrying her suitably without delay and has been addressed on the subject.

The estate is free from debt, but nothing has been spent on improvements.

It should have been explained why Sir income declined from Rs. 111 to Rs. 54 and why forests and other sair income declined from Rs. 230 to Rs. 83).

(*a*) **Bhatgawan.**—[*Income Rs.* 2,279-14-0, *Liabilities Rs.* 2,343-12-0].—This estate has been under Government management from 1887.

As noticed in last year's report the proprietor, Kunjal Singh, was allowed to leave school, as he was very apathetic about his studies. He is married and has got a son. It can now hardly be expected of him to pursue his studies. He is, at present, looking after agriculture and other household work, for which he seems to have a liking. He can read and write Hindi, which is all that he can be expected to do.

The liabilities of the estate amounted to Rs. 2,343-12-0 at the close of the current year; Rs. 156-4-0 have been paid towards principal and Rs. 143-12-0 towards interest in the course of the year.

The rental demand for current year was Rs. 1,872-15-6 and Rs. 62-9-9 on account of arrears. Of this, Rs. 1,782-2-9 were collected on account of current demand, and Rs. 49-15-9 on account of arrears, leaving a balance of Rs. 103-10-9.

The total income of the estate amounted to Rs. 2,294-14-0 exclusive of the opening balance of Rs. 379-14-10, and the total expenditure was Rs. 2,173-10-7; while the closing balance to the credit of the estate was Rs. 501-2-3 on the 30th September 1893. On comparing the figures against side head I of Statement III for last year with the corresponding entry in this year's statement it will be seen that there has been an increase of Rs. 423. This was due to double payment made on account of February's kist by a mistake. On the mistake being detected the amount drawn a second time was refunded to the credit of the estate.

In this estate the Bhag system prevails in several villages. At the recent settlement, rents in kind have, in almost every case, been converted into cash rents.

The stock of grain in hand at the beginning of the year should have been 374 maunds, 10 seers according to last year's statement, but according to the detailed account kept by the moharrir it was found to be 363 maunds, 29 seers, 4 chattaks, and this has accordingly been shown as the opening balance in this year's statement.

This year, in this as well as in the Pounsra estate, the contract for cutting firewood has been given on the terms on which it is given in Government forests. There was a large quantity of firewood, and as there was no special establishment to look after the forest, people of surrounding villages used to cut wood stealthily without payment. Some contractors came forward and offered to take the contract, agreeing to pay for the cost of any extra establishment that might be required for supervising the work. They have accordingly paid Rs. 350 in advance to the credit of the two estates on account of the supervising staff and have agreed to pay a duty of Rs. 4 per stack of 100 Bengal maunds. They have been allowed to cut Rs. 1,500 worth of firewood from each estate and have been bound down by written agreement not to cause any damage to the forest or to the *nistar* of the ryots. It is expected that the greater portion of the debt due by this estate will be liquidated this year.

(*Commissioner's remarks.*—This estate is still in debt to the amount of Rs. 2,343. When it was taken over in 1887 the debts amounted to Rs. 4,006, so the progress made is slow and will be still slower after the revision of the assessment. The increased payment on account of Government revenue is, the Deputy Commissioner explains, due to a mistake, the February instalment having been paid twice over. The excess collection has been refunded.

It would be interesting to know who supervised the cutting of wood referred to by the Deputy Commissioner in his note. He has been asked. The increase of personal expenses from Rs. 96 to Rs. 281 should have been explained).

(*a*) Bandha.—[*Income Rs.* 7,884-0-11, *Liabilities Rs.* 20,622-2-0].—This estate has been under management from October 1887. The proprietor, Debidas, who is now 19 years of age, does not attend any school. He was removed from the Rajkumar College under sanction conveyed in Commissioner's letter No. 6881, dated the 10th September 1892. The estate still continues to be heavily involved, and in order to reduce the debts it will be necessary to dispose of some of the moveable and immoveable property. Proposals on this head will shortly be submitted.

The total income of the estate including the opening balance of Rs. 1,114-11-9 amounted to Rs. 9,393-13-8, out of which Rs. 7,420-7-2 were spent during the year under report, leaving a closing balance of Rs. 1,973-6-6.

Debts due by the estate amounted to Rs. 20,892-14-9 at the beginning of the year. A sum of Rs. 1,500 was paid towards repayment of the above, of which only Rs. 270-12-9 went towards repayment of principal and the rest towards interest, leaving a balance of Rs. 20,622-2-0; since the close of the year a sum of Rs. 1,200 more has been paid, *viz.*, Rs. 821-14-9 towards principal and Rs. 378-1-3 towards interest.

The total rental demand for the current year was Rs. 6,532-14-7, besides Rs. 1,916-9-6 on account of arrears, making a total of Rs. 8,449-8-1 for collection. Of this sum Rs. 5,754-0-9 were recovered on account of current demand, and Rs. 1,005-10-0 on account of arrears, leaving a balance of Rs. 1,650-1-4 for collection excluding Rs. 39-12-0 remitted and struck off as irrecoverable. Considering that the rabi crops suffered from frost and the outturn was poor, this result is not unsatisfactory. The greater portion of the arrears of past years is irrecoverable and will have to be written off after each case has been properly enquired into.

At the close of the previous year there was a balance of Rs. 14,294-1-4 on account of debts due to the estate. Of this sum, only Rs. 394-14-0 were recovered during the year under report, and rent arrears to the extent of Rs. 485-13-2 were decreed during the year. Thus Rs. 14,385-0-6 remained due at the close of the year.

The estate continues to advance grain of its own to cultivators on the favourable terms mentioned in Revenue Secretary to Chief Commissioner's No. 516—50, dated the 19th February 1892.

The estate being indebted, it was not practicable to spend anything more than Rs. 25-8-0 on improvements. This sum was spent in repairing a well at Bandha—a village after which the estate is named.

(*Commissioner's remarks.*—In this estate also the progress made in paying off the debt is far from satisfactory. During six years the principal amount has been reduced only from Rs. 23,754 to Rs. 20,622, and the increase in the Government demand which is about to take place will increase the difficulty. In 1891-92 a sum of Rs. 4,642 was devoted to re-payment of debt, but only Rs. 1,500 was so applied during the year under report, and no explanation of this is given. Nor is it explained why personal expenses have gone up from Rs. 780 to Rs. 1,342.

If a good portion of the debts, amounting to Rs. 14,385, due to the estate could be realized, this would considerably reduce the liabilities, but it is greatly to be feared that owing to the delay that has occurred much of this will be found to be unrealizable. These debts seem to have been due for a long time, and even now it seems doubtful whether the matter is being taken up with proper energy, as the Deputy Commissioner merely says "the Moharrir of the estate has now been supplied with a copy of the register of bonds and has been asked to report on each case." The Deputy Commissioner will be requested to examine each bond himself or to cause them to be at once examined either by one of his Assistants or the Manager in order to ascertain which are still capable of being enforced, and to take the needful measures for enforcing them. Nothing seems to have been done in the matter during the last two years.

The income of this estate under the following heads is much less than in the previous year :—

			1891-92. Rs.	1892-93. Rs.
Sir land	...	...	453	391
Sair	...	...	267	32
Miscellaneous	...	...	977	606

which should be explained).

(*a*) Ganyari.—[*Income Rs.* 7,661-4-7, *Liabilities* Nil].—The estate was taken under the management of the Court of Wards in 1888. Harbans Pershad, the ward, is now 8 years old, and as there was no school at Ganyari it was at first proposed to send him to Sehora for education. An allowance of Rs. 40 per mensem was sanctioned for this, but the mother and grandmother of the ward objected to his being sent to Sehora and requested that a private tutor would be appointed for him. While this was being arranged for, the ladies changed their minds and expressed their willingness to send the boy to Jubbulpore for education. He has now gone on a pilgrimage to Baudakpur in the Damoh District along with his mother and grandmother, and on his return from there he will be put in some school here.

As already stated in last year's report no claims were advanced for debts due by the estate, amounting to Rs. 1,879-9-3, and as the items were time-barred they have been written off this year to clear the accounts.

The following table shows the rental demand for current and previous years as also the collections and outstanding balance :—

	Demand.	Collections.	Remissions.	Balance outstanding.
	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.
Current ...	5,275 4 2	5,139 2 10	...	136 1 4
Arrears ...	694 11 9	253 4 0	227 1 0	214 6 9
Total ...	5,969 15 11	5,392 6 10	227 1 0	350 8 1

Orders have been passed for bringing in suits for the greater portion of the arrears, and suits have in some cases been instituted and are pending in Court.

The income from all sources amounted to Rs. 7,753-4-7, and the expenditure to Rs. 5,130-8-0. The year opened with a balance of Rs. 15,058-13-7 and closed with that of Rs. 17,681-10-2. Rs. 92 were recovered during the year under report towards the principal of the outstanding debts, and the unrealized balance was Rs. 1,039-2-0. Rs. 252-8-0 were drawn for estate improvements, *viz.*, for repairing certain wells. Of this sum only Rs. 133-8-0 were spent, and the

remaining Rs. 119 were refunded, as the work could not be carried on owing to rain. It will now be re-drawn and the work completed as soon as possible. This year the house of the ward at Ganyari has to be repaired, and the work will be started as soon as the Manager can go to Ganyari to see and report on the house and to prepare an estimate. This estate has a large stock of grain of its own and makes its own advances to tenants on the favourable terms mentioned in Revenue Secretary to the Chief Commissioner's letter No. 516—50, dated the 19th February 1892. The grain account stands thus :—

		M.	S.	C.
Balance in hand at the beginning of the year ...		1,664	5	15
Received during the year		1,435	28	2
Total ...		3,099	34	1
Expended		1,767	10	10
Balance in hand at the close of year		1,332	23	7

(*Commissioner's remarks.*—This estate is free from debt and has a cash balance of Rs. 17,681. It is not understood why the bulk of this is not invested in Government promissory notes. So much as is not wanted at once for estate improvements should be so invested, as the interest is being lost. Notwithstanding the existence of this large balance, only Rs. 133 was spent on estate improvement. Here again there appears to be scope for very considerable expenditure on improvements.

Income under Forests and Sair came to only Rs. 34 against Rs. 315 in the previous year, which is not explained. On the other hand "Miscellaneous" expenditure increased from Rs. 284 to Rs. 705, which is also unexplained).

(*a*). Bijora.—[*Income Rs.* 1,124-4-1, *Liabilities* Nil].—This is one of the smallest estates under the management of Court of Wards in this district. It is under management owing to the ward—Mussamat Somal Sethani—who is a female, being incapable of managing her property. She lives in Marwar, and her monthly allowance of Rs. 20 is remitted to her through her agent here.

The estate has an 8-anna share in three villages, two of which are in this district and one in Cawnpore.

The rental demand was Rs. 999-11-7 on account of the current year and Rs. 8-8-1 on account of arrears; of this Rs. 885-5-9 were recovered in the course of the year, and Rs. 122-13-11 remained uncollected.

The income from all sources was Rs. 1,124-4-1 and the expenditure was Rs. 1,241-5-2; while the opening and closing balances were Rs. 2,337-8-7 and Rs. 2,220-7-6 respectively. These figures include Cawnpore figures, where an 8-anna share belonging to the estate is situate as already noted.

This estate, too, has a stock of grain of its own and makes its own advances to tenants on the favourable terms mentioned in Revenue Secretary to the Chief Commissioner's letter No. 516—50, dated the 19th February 1892. Receipts, issues and balances of the grain in stock are given below :—

		M.	S.	C.
Balance in hand at the beginning of the year ...		361	17	8
Receipts		419	21	4
Total ...		780	38	12
Expended during the year		364	5	0
Balance in hand at the close of the year		416	33	12

(*Commissioner's remarks.*—A very small estate free from debt. In one part of his note the Deputy Commissioner speaks of *the ward* as a female, and in another part he speaks of the proprietors being two in number.

The income has fallen off under all heads :—

	1891-92.	1892-93.
	Rs.	Rs.
Rents	1,073	885
Sir land	348	157
Sair	48	14
Miscellaneous	203	68

Some explanation should be given of the decrease under the other heads besides rents.

There is Rs. 2,220 in hand, but nothing spent on improvements).

(*a*). Bijori.—[*Income Rs.* 7,212-6-0, *Liabilities* Nil].—The ward—Narbada Prashad—who has now attained his eighteenth year, lives in Panagar. He has, as noticed in last year's report, left school. He can, however, hardly read and write Hindi and seems to be quite averse to prosecute any study. The Deputy Commissioner proposes to try and see if he can make him do something in this direction by appointing a private tutor for him.

The following table shows the rental demand and collections for this and the previous years :—

	Demand.			Collection.			Balance.		
	Rs.	a.	p.	Rs.	a.	p.	Rs.	a.	p.
Current	5,644	7	9	4,965	13	1	678	10	8
Arrears	8	8	0	...			8	8	0
Total	5,652	15	9	4,965	13	1	687	2	8

Towards debt due to the estate Rs. 270 were recovered, leaving an outstanding balance of Rs. 6,517-5-8.

The charges incurred during the year under report amounted to Rs. 5,242-1-3 as against Rs. 6,473-13-10 in the previous year. A sum of Rs. 366-5-0 was spent on estate improvement. This includes Rs. 200 advanced for deepening a tank in Baihar, a village belonging to the estate. Owing to the setting in of the monsoons the work could not be pushed on and had to be stopped.

The ward had been to Allahabad on pilgrimage this year, and for this he was allowed a sum of Rs. 250.

The opening and closing balances to the credit of the estate were Rs. 18,554-7-6 and Rs. 20,794-12-3 respectively, including the balance to the credit of the estate in the Cawnpore Treasury.

This year, besides laying out as much as possible of the surplus on estate improvements, the Deputy Commissioner proposes to purchase some villages for the estate. As already noted in the Bijora report this estate has an 8-anna share in Bannajakha in the Cawnpore District, the sale of which is contemplated.

The ward had a maternal uncle who owned two villages, Imlai and Kachhargaon, which he bequeathed to the ward. The latter came into the Wards's possession at the time the estate was taken under Court of Wards management, and for the former a civil suit has been filed and is going on in the Court of the Civil Judge.

The estate having a large stock of grain makes its own advances to tenants on the favourable terms prescribed by the Chief Commissioner.

(*Commissioner's remarks.*—This is another estate with a large cash balance—Rs. 20,794—which is apparently lying idle. In September 1891 the balance amounted to Rs. 12,610 and in September 1892 to Rs. 18,554. If it was not feasible to spend this money, or a large part of it, on estate improvements, the bulk of it should have been invested in Government paper. Interest on such large sums should not be sacrificed by allowing them to lie idle in the Treasury.

The great decrease in Miscellaneous receipts—Rs. 1,013 against Rs. 4,364 in the previous year—should be explained.

There has been a satisfactory decrease in expenditure, especially under Personal Expenses and Miscellaneous).

(*b*) Nimai Bhidari.—[*Income Rs.* 808-13-9, *Liabilities Rs.* 4,956-5-0].—The estate consists of only one whole village named Nimai Bhidari and an 8-anna share in another named Semaria. When the estate was taken under the management of the Court of Wards a 12-anna share in this latter village was recorded as belonging to it, but in the course of the current year it was found that the ward owned only an 8-anna share in this on proprietary rights while the remaining 4 annas were held on a usufructuary mortgage given by Musammat Jhuna, the owner thereof, for the liquidation of a sum of Rs. 900-13-0 from the usufruct. On her death mutation of names was claimed by her nephew (son of her husband's brother), and it was then that the mortgage above referred to was produced by the mother of the ward. The name of the nephew of Musammat Jhuna has accordingly been recorded as proprietor and that of the ward—Hazari Lal—as mortgagee with possession.

The ward, Hazari Lal, continues to be an inmate of the Lunatic Asylum here, and his family consisting of his wife, mother and daughter live in the Jubbulpore house.

The rental demand on account of the current year was the same as in last year, *viz.*, Rs. 853-14-2. This sum plus arrears on account of previous years amounted to Rs. 877-10-2 (the arrears being by mistake shown less by Rs. 12 in last year's accounts); of this Rs. 808-13-9 were collected during the course of the year, leaving a balance of Rs. 68-12-5, all of which will be collected in the course of the year.

The total expenditure amounted to Rs. 582-6-2 as detailed below :—

	Rs.	a.	p.
Government Revenue and Cesses	476	7	0
Cost of management	56	5	7
Miscellaneous	49	9	7
Total ...	582	6	2

The year opened with a balance of Rs. 58-6-7 and closed with that of Rs. 284-14-2; of this latter sum Rs. 200 were paid in part payment of interest due on the debt outstanding against the estate after the close of the year.

Nothing could be paid in the course of the year towards the payment of debts due by the estate. Of the total amount of Rs. 4,956-5-0 due by the estate Rs. 4,856-5-0 are due to Raja Seth Gokuldass, and the remaining Rs. 100 are due to Raja Lallu Sahib of Imlai, whose estate was relinquished in the course of the year. This latter sum was borrowed in March 1890, without obtaining the requisite sanction and without any stamped agreement. It was taken without interest on the understanding that it was to be repaid in the May following of the same year. The matter, however, seems to have been lost sight of, and the money has not yet been paid.

(*Commissioner's remarks.*—This is a very small estate, the proprietor of which is a lunatic. The debts, which amounted to Rs. 5,643 in 1889, still come to Rs. 4,956 after four years' management. Nothing was paid on this account during the year under report. When the land revenue assessment is enhanced, as will shortly happen, the difficulty will be still greater. The Deputy Commissioner will be called on to report separately on the prospects of clearing this estate of debt.

It is stated that the expenses of maintaining the ward are borne by the Lunatic Asylum. This should not be. The estate should bear this charge. The Deputy Commissioner should see to this matter and communicate with the Superintendent of the Lunatic Asylum if necessary).

(*a*) Mudia.—[*Income Rs.* 6,394-11-11, *Liabilities Rs.* 639-3-3].—The ward—Ajudhiya Prasad—proprietor of this estate, is a minor, and lives in Panagar with his grandmother.

He attends the 1st grade Middle School there and is making fair progress. During the year under report his stepmother died, and the family now consists of only two members—the ward and his grandmother.

The following table shows the general position of the estate :—

	Rs.	a.	p.
Opening balance	1,282	7	1
Receipts during the year	6,426	11	11
Total ...	7,709	3	0
Expenditure	5,937	4	4
Closing balance	1,771	14	8

The rental demand on account of the current year was Rs. 5,589-4-11 as against Rs. 5,550-6-4 in the year previous, and arrears outstanding at the close of last year for collection amounted to Rs. 295-2-9. Thus the total demand for collection was Rs. 5,884-7-8; of this sum Rs. 4,736-8-7 were collected towards the current demand, and Rs. 154-14-6 towards the arrears, leaving an outstanding of Rs. 993-0-7. Of this latter sum Rs. 339-1-3 have been collected since the close of the year, Rs. 68 have been remitted, and for Rs. 47 orders have been given to get a bond. Thus the arrears now outstanding amount to Rs. 538-15-4, greater portion of which will be recovered with the current February kist.

The estate is now free from debt. The increase in the personal expenditure this year is due to a sum of Rs. 200 having been paid for the performance of funeral obsequies of the step-mother of the ward, who, as noted above, died in the course of the year. Besides this Rs. 45 were allowed for *sharadh* expenses (Rs. 30 on account of current and Rs. 15 on account of the previous year.)

The estate being involved in debt no money could be laid out on improvements. The matter will now receive attention as the estate has become solvent.

The grain account stands as shown below :—

	Md.	S.	C.
Stock in hand at the beginning of the year	446	0	0
Received during the year	481	30	0
Total ...	927	30	0
Expenditure during the year	446	0	0
In hand at the close of the year	481	30	0

It will thus be seen that the estate has a stock of grain of its own and can therefore make advances to tenants on the favourable terms prescribed by the Chief Commissioner. The *bhag* system (or the levying of rents in kind) does not obtain here.

(*Commissioner's remarks.*—This is a small estate with liabilities amounting to Rs. 4,606 in 1890. They have now been reduced to Rs. 639, which will be paid off during the current year.

The falling off under Sir land, from Rs. 1,610 to Rs. 1,182, should be explained.)

(*a*) Mohania.—[*Income Rs.* 42,359-9-3, *Liabilities Rs.* 21,428-9-9].—This estate was brought under direct management with effect from the 15th June 1891, owing to the minority of Chhunmun Lal, proprietor. At first when the father of the ward, Gowri Dass, died, the whole estate was made over to Raja Seth Gokuldas, who was appointed special manager, but subsequently he resigned his special managership as regards villages and other landed property, retaining the monetary transactions of the shop business under his charge, and since then the present arrangements have been allowed to continue.

The liabilities of the estate were reduced to a considerable extent in the course of the current year by the sale of certain houses and ornaments, sanction for which was conveyed in Revenue Secretary to the Chief Commissioner's letter No. 2282, dated the 16th July 1892. The

houses fetched Rs. 14,020 and the jewellery Rs. 18,635. The whole amount of the sale proceeds was paid in part liquidation of debts due by the estate. There are some more jewels that were pawned, for which no claims have yet been put forth. The sale of these jewels will further reduce the liabilities. The balance of debt outstanding at the close of the year was Rs. 21,428-9-9. Of this sum only Rs. 1,128-9-9 carry interest at 3 per cent. per annum, and the remainder (Rs. 20,300) is without interest. The whole of this sum is due to Raja Seth Gokuldas, a friend of the minor's father, to whom the estate is indebted for the favourable terms on which it secured its debts. Rs. 1,052-0-9 were paid towards interest on debts.

The following table shows the financial position of the estate :—

	Rs.	a.	p.
Opening balance	1,157	7	0
Receipts during the year	48,293	11	0
Total ...	49,451	2	0
Payments during the year	47,696	3	11
Closing balance	1,754	14	1

The rental demand on account of the current year was Rs. 7,811-11-5 and that on account of the arrears Rs. 503-4-6, making up a total of Rs. 8,314-15-11; of this sum Rs. 6,749-8-8 were collected on current demand and Rs. 146-4-10 on account of arrears; while Rs. 247-13-7 were struck off as irrecoverable, the net amount outstanding being Rs. 1,171-4-10.

The amount of debts due to the estate stands as follows :—

	Rs.	a.	p.
Balance due at the close of last year	45,339	5	2
Add fresh loans given during the year	6,589	0	0
Total ...	51,928	5	2
Deduct debts recovered during the year	5,934	1	9
Balance outstanding at the close of the year	45,994	3	5

The details of the outstanding balance of Rs. 45,994-3-5 are as follows :—

	Rs.	a.	p.
Debts due on shop accounts	36,658	9	10
Do. on ornaments pawned (shop account)	2,186	1	0
Do. on uncashed Hundis do.	1,399	0	0
Do. recoverable on bonds and decrees by Court of Wards.	5,750	8	7
Total ...	45,994	3	5

The item of Rs. 5,934-1-9 shown as recovered on account of debts includes Rs. 571-6-6 struck off the shop accounts on "Batta-khata", or as irrecoverable.

Owing to the indebtedness of the estate no money could be laid out on estate improvements.

In this estate also grain loans are given on the favourable terms prescribed by the Chief Commissioner. The grain account stands thus :—

	M.	S.	C.
Balance in hand at the commencement of the year ...	2,362	35	0
Received during the year	2,214	15	0
Total ...	4,577	10	0
Expended during the year	2,325	15	0
Balance ..	2,251	35	0

Owing to the sale of some of the houses in Jubbulpore, the value of the house property shown in column 10 of Statement I has been reduced by Rs. 14,020.

The minor, Chhunmun Lal, is a clever boy and will appear for the Middle School Examination next year. He is attending the Mahajani School here.

(*Commissioner's remarks.*—The liabilities of this estate, which originally amounted to Rs. 91,024, have now been reduced to Rs. 21,428. This result has been to a great extent effected by selling off during the year, property to the extent of Rs. 32,655 (included under Miscellaneous receipts).

The banking business of the ward is managed by Raja Seth Gokuldas, who was a friend of his father. It is presumed that accounts are annually submitted and scrutinised. A sum of Rs. 45,994 is shown as due to the estate on bonds and other transactions. Care should be taken that none of these are allowed to become time-barred.

As usual there is a diminished income due mainly to falling off in rents owing to unfavourable season.)

(*Commissioner's general remarks.*—It is impossible to ignore the fact that estate management in this district has been greatly neglected in the past, of which these notes and the Deputy Commissioner's remarks contain abundant instances. The accounts when the present Manager took charge were in a hopeless state of confusion. He has, I believe, done what he could to put things in order, but it has been up-hill work. It is satisfactory to notice that the Deputy Commissioner expresses himself pleased with his work, but both he and the Deputy Commissioner have still evidently a great deal to do to place matters on a thoroughly satisfactory footing, and it behoves them both to give unremitting attention to this important work.)

MANDLA DISTRICT.

MR. SYED ALAY MAHOMED, Deputy Commr.

(*a*) Singharpur.—[*Income Rs.* 2,281-9-2, *Liabilities* Nil.]—The estate consists of 38 whole villages, being the same number as last year. Twenty-eight of these are under the direct management of the Court and ten handed over to Dayaram—*vide* Junior Secretary's letter No. 993-S., dated the 16th May 1890. The general position of the estate is almost the same as in last year, except that the receipts have increased and the rental demand fallen.

The management of the estate was assumed in 1880 in consequence of the minority of the proprietors. The elder, Dayaram, has since attained his majority and has been entrusted with the management of ten villages on the understanding that he pays half the profits, being the share of his minor brother, into the Court of Wards accounts and maintaining himself out of the balance. This arrangement was come to in 1890, and Dayaram has since been managing his own affairs so far as these 10 villages are concerned. For the first two years the reports about him were not favourable, but latterly he shows signs of improvement and has given no trouble this year in paying up the Government demand as well as half the share of profits on account of the villages managed by him.

Besides he visited some of the remaining 28 villages, acquainting himself with the people and their conditions. I will encourage him in doing this.

The younger, Gayapershad, seems to be an intelligent boy and attends the Jaggannath School at Mandla. He is reading in the 3rd English class, but was reported to be irregular and inattentive to his lessons.

The total income of the year amounted to Rs. 2,281-9-2, which, with the uninvested opening balance of Rs. 6,070-2-11, gives a total of Rs. 8,351-12-1. The total expenditure was Rs. 1,337-12-9, leaving a balance of Rs. 7,013-15-4 to the credit of the estate at the close of the year. Out of this balance the Deputy Commissioner has recently recommended the lending of Rs. 5,000 to Sooraj Datt Ojha of the Ojha family of Mandla.

The rental demand for the current year decreased by Rs. 118. The falling off is to be ascribed to the migratory habits of the ryots. This is notably the case in the villages o

Dhamanpani, Banjhdih and four others. The ryots were generally poor and indebted to the estate on account of rent arrears. They had no interest in the land and had nothing to lose by the change of their abodes—a characteristic of the aborigines of this district. The arrears in these villages are large and will have, most of them, to be written off.

The whole of the current demand with the exception of Rs. 53-13-6 has been collected.

The last spring crops again were almost a failure, which greatly retarded the collection of rents. Had it not been for this and the damage caused by hailstorms in places, the results of rent collection would have appeared still better.

The question of introducing the system of making grain advances to the ryots was discussed last year, but it was not considered expedient to introduce the scheme in any of the estates for want of adequate establishment.

The work of improvements that was proposed to be executed during the year was the construction of wells at Singharpur and Kaneri. Materials for the purpose had to be manufactured on the spot. But the unsettled state of the weather which prevailed for the most part of the open season prevented anything being done.

(*a*) Ghagha.—[*Income Rs.* 1,189-14-6, *Liabilities* Nil].—The estate consists of 12 villages, and there has been no change in its general position since last year.

The management was originally assumed in 1885 owing to indebtedness. The debt has since been paid off, and the estate is now solvent for some years past. The relinquishment is only deferred because Kanhaya Lal, one of the two proprietors, is a minor, and the other, Brijanand, though about 28 years of age, cannot be depended on as a safe custodian of the interests of his cousin. The latter has applied for the restoration of his estate to him. But such a course is not considered expedient just at present either for his own interest or the interest of the whole estate.

Kanhaya Lal, the younger proprietor, is about 18 years old, but is a quite useless lad. He lives at Ghagha with his mother, who declines to consent to separate her son from herself on any account, nor will she come and live with him at Mandla for his education.

The total income of the year amounted to Rs. 1,189-14-6, which, with the opening balance of Rs. 812-7-6, gives a total of Rs. 2,002-6-0. The total expenditure was Rs. 1,111-4-5. Thus there remained a balance of Rs. 891-1-7 to the credit of the estate at the close of the year.

The total rental demand for collection including arrears was Rs. 1,091-6-6. Out of this sum Rs. 866-1-6 were realized before the close of the year, and Rs. 17 more have since been collected.

The year under report was one of bad harvest, which contributed in a great measure to make a large amount of arrears irrecoverable. Here too an attempt was made to secure long outstanding arrears by executing acknowledgments. But when the moharir visited some of the villages for the purpose in July he found that many of the habitually defaulting cultivators had absconded, so the sums due from them will have to be written off.

The estate has only a small balance at its credit, and with it it cannot afford to make grain advances to its tenants. Most of the villages again are in the Raigarh-Bichia tract, where the cultivators are specially of migratory habits. So it will not be safe to deal with these men on credit.

As regards the work of improvement there seemed no immediate necessity for these to justify the expenditure out of the limited resources. It has, however, now been decided to repair the embankment and the ghat of the tank in Mauzah Ghagha. The work will be undertaken during the current year.

SEONI DISTRICT.

Mr. T. Drysdale, Deputy Commr.

(*a*) Lakhnadon.—[*Income Rs.* 4,293-6-0, *Liabilities Rs.* 12,088-8-6].—This estate was taken under management on the 20th May 1881 for minority and indebtedness.

The debts of the estate when consolidated then amounted to Rs. 24,700. This was to have been paid off in 14 years by instalments of Rs. 2,577. In 1884, the claim by Ram Singh, the uncle of the wards, to a 5-annas-4-pies share in Mauzah Lakhnadon had to be admitted, involving such reduction of income that the annual instalment towards re-payment of the debt had to be reduced to Rs. 2,000. Of the Rs. 2,000 paid during the year under report, Rs. 1,202-8-6 went towards the reduction of principal, leaving Rs. 12,088-8-6 still due.

The estate consists of 15 whole villages (malguzari) and 3 villages in which the family hold only superior proprietary rights, and a $\frac{3}{4}$rd share in Mauzah Lakhnadon.

The total demand for recovery was Rs. 256-11-0—arrears of previous year, and Rs. 4,738-15-6 on account of the year under report; total Rs. 4,995-10-6. Of this only Rs. 4,100 were realized, leaving Re. 0-2-6 of arrears and Rs. 895-8-0 of the current year's demand, total Rs. 895-10-6, unrealized. The serious failure of last year's wheat harvest prevented full recovery. Wheat is the principal crop in this part of the country.

The wards all reside in Lakhnadon except Churaman Singh, who attends the Seoni school.

The three adult wards—Kesri Singh, Dharam Singh and Kalandar Singh—have been giving much trouble by realizing money on their own account to which they are not entitled.

No expenditure was incurred on improvements during the year under report.

After 12 years' management this estate is still so encumbered with debt that it was considered inexpedient to incur any available expenditure while recovery of the year's income was imperilled by serious failure of the last wheat harvest.

(*a*) Maina Piparia.—[*Income Rs.* 1,844-14-6, *Liabilities* Nil.].—This estate comprising four villages was taken under management in 1886 to save it from debt. Rs. 8,500 were then borrowed from Raja Seth Gokaldas, and by the close of 1891-92 this had been reduced to Rs. 5,547-2-9. This balance has now been cleared off with the aid of Rs. 4,800 borrowed elsewhere by the proprietor, and the estate thus freed from debt was restored to the proprietor, Wazir Ali Khan, on the 13th October 1893, under sanction from the Chief Commissioner conveyed in Revenue Secretary's letter No. 4660, dated the 6th October 1893.

The estate remained under management throughout 1892-93. The total rental demand amounted to Rs. 2,221-8-6, of which Rs. 1,838-14-6 were realized. Owing to the failure of last year's wheat crop, a balance of Rs. 382-10-0 remained unrealized. This balance will easily be recovered by the proprietor unless indeed the crops again fail.

The takavi loan referred to in last year's report was an advance of Rs. 700 made to the proprietor in 1891 from the funds of the estate to enable him to carry on cultivation. Statement II shows recovery of Rs. 200 towards this advance. Now that the estate has been restored, the balance of Rs. 500 disappears as a debt, for the proprietor becomes his own creditor.

The well work commenced in the previous year was not completed. The work, however, was entrusted to Mr. Hormusjee, the Public Works contractor, and he failed to complete it satisfactorily before the rains. He promised to remedy deficiencies after the monsoon, and money to pay for it has been reserved in deposit.

(*a*) Kaniwara.—[*Income Rs.* 7,300-14-0, *Liabilities* Nil.].—The late Mohamed Imam Khan, former proprietor of this estate, was a Musalman gentleman, greatly respected by the authorities. At his death he left four sons—

(*a*)	Yahia Khan, the eldest	... ...	} Adults by senior wife.
(*b*)	Zikaria Khan, 2nd son	... ..	
(*c*)	Abdul Kahar Khan	... ...	} Minors by other wives.
(*d*)	Abdul Jahar Khan	... ...	

The eldest, Yahia Khan, died, leaving two minor sons—Abdul Rah and Abdul Rahman. Owing chiefly to the aggressive and quarrelsome character of Zikaria Khan the family estate was being ruined, when the Court of Wards intervened.

When the management was assumed in 1890, the estate consisted of 17 entire villages, a share in an 18th village and two plots. Zikaria Khan proved most interfering and troublesome,

and it was arranged to make a provisional partition of the estate into four shares, primarily to enable the Court of Wards to cast off Zikaria Khan and leave him to manage his own share. This provisional partition was effected and approved during 1891-92, the four quarter shares being designated respectively :—

(*a*) The Kaniwara group of three whole villages specially reserved for the minor sons of Yahia Khan, as eldest son of Mahomed Imam Khan.

(*b*) The Umaria group of three villages.

(*c*) The Badalpar group of five malguzari villages, two superior proprietary villages and one plot in Seoni town.

(*d*) The Bamhni group of four whole villages and half Mauzah Bamhni.

At the close of 1891-92, the position was this that Zikaria Khan, having been refused the Kaniwara group, had elected to take the Umaria group. The Chief Commissioner sanctioned surrender of this group to him along with Rs. 1,050 as his share of the cash balance, and I arranged to let him have this group from the commencement of the agricultural year 1893-94 on condition that he surrendered all the Sir lands of the Badalpar group, which he had been cultivating under previous provisional arrangements since assumption of the management and in continuation of similar occupation in his father's time. Meanwhile Abdul Kahar Khan also came of age, and sanction was obtained to make over one of the remaining groups to him, and he elected to take the Badalpar group. This, however, did not suit Zikaria Khan. He had hoped to keep the Sir lands of the Badalpar group, as well as to get the Umaria group. Zikaria Khan had been holding the villages of the Badalpar group for many years, and had sunk money in home farms and buildings there, so could not well give these up. At last an amicable arrangement was induced under which Zikaria Khan retained the Badalpar group, and Abdul Kahar Khan took the Umaria group instead. These two shares, representing one-half of the original Kaniwara estate, have accordingly been surrendered with effect from the 1st June 1893.

Excluding Rs. 1,512, rental value of Sir lands assigned to members of the family as maintenance, the rental demand for realization during the year under report amounted to Rs. 6,465-4-3. The year closed with an unrealized balance of Rs. 1,184-5-6, besides Rs. 237-2-0 of the previous year; total Rs. 1,421-7-6.

Of these arrears Rs. 769-5-9 as follows, appertain to the two quarter shares surrendered as above, *viz.* :—

	On account of demand of 1892-93.			Previous arrears.			Total.		
	Rs.	a.	p.	Rs.	a.	p.	Rs.	a.	p.
Badalpar group	452	8	0	145	0	0	597	8	0
Umaria group	163	13	9	8	0	0	171	13	9
Total ...	616	5	9	153	0	0	769	5	9

The right to these arrears should go with the shares, and they will now be written off the Court of Wards accounts and transferred accordingly.

The remaining arrears against the half of the Kaniwara estate still under management amount to Rs. 652-1-9 as follows, *viz.* :—

	Rs.	a.	p.
From demand of year under report	567	15	9
Previous arrears	84	2	0
Total ...	652	1	9

The main cause of these arrears was the very serious failure of the wheat crop of 1892-93.

The marriages of the following members were effected through the family during the year under report at a total cost of Rs. 2,881-1-0 out of Rs. 3,150 sanctioned, *viz.* :—

Abdul Kahar Khan, the third son.

Abdul Jabar Khan, the fourth son.

One daughter of the deceased father, Mahomed Imam Khan.

Two daughters of Yahia Khan, deceased eldest son.

The widow of Yahia Khan died on the 1st January 1893. Her two children, the minor wards, Abdul Rah and Abdul Rahman, are now in charge of Yahia Khan's mother, and attend the Seoni School.

The cash balance at the credit of the remaining half of the Kaniwara estate amounted at the close of the year to Rs. 3,354-9-5. A separate account for each shareholder has been maintained, and according to this a debit balance of Rs. 548-11-4 results against Abdul Kahar Khan.

A debit of 465 maunds 30 seers of wheat remains due to the estate on account of seed grain borrowed in November 1892 from Raja Seth Gokuldas at 12½ per cent. and lent out to ryots at 15 per cent. The failure of last year's wheat crop prevented recovery. The bulk of this grain is due from ryots of the Badalpar group.

No expenditure on improvements was incurred during the year. The well work at Kaniwara was entrusted to the Public Works contractor, Mr. Hormusjee, but he did not complete the work satisfactorily before the rains, and promised to do so after the wet weather. The account therefore remains for adjustment during 1893-94.

(*a*) Jhamar.—[*Income Rs.* 559-13-6, *Liabilities Rs.* 163-12-2],—Management of this estate was assumed under Notification by the Chief Commissioner, No. 2147, dated the 14th April 1890, on declaration that the proprietors, Anwar Singh and his son Umrao Singh, were on their own application incapable of managing their property. Anwar Singh died during 1890. Besides Umrao Singh, Anwar Singh had an elder son, Beni Singh, and the estate is now under management, as affirmed in Commissioner's letter No. 8039, dated the 28th November 1892, in the interests of—

(*a*) Umrao Singh, aforesaid.
(*b*) The sons of Beni Singh.

The Jhamar estate consists of—

(*a*) superior proprietary right in two villages, Patha Deori and Pahari, yielding an income paid for the current settlement at Rs. 142-14-0;
(*b*) the five malguzari villages of Jhamar, Ukarpar, Bhaneri, Kharsi, and Kerpani. All these villages with the exception of Kerpani are held by farmers under leases which extend till the close of the current land revenue settlement of the district.

Kerpani alone is under direct management. The rents due and collected for last year on account of this village amounted to Rs. 90-7-6, as compared with Rs. 45, the jama reported in Schedule I of the prescribed statements submitted in August 1890, when the estate was taken under management.

Little was required in the way of management except collection of dues and restriction of expenditure to pay off the loan of Rs. 500 borrowed at 6 per cent. from the parent Dhuma estate when the Jhamar property was taken under management. Rs. 559-13-6 were realized during the year under report in full of all demands, no balance due remaining outstanding at the close of the year. The loan of Rs. 500 was borrowed under promise of repayment at Rs. 100 a year or sooner if possible.

In the absence of demand for improvements Rs. 302-12-7 were paid towards the reduction of debt, *viz.*, Rs. 26-8-9 on account of interest and Rs. 276-3-10 towards principal, leaving Rs. 163-12-2 of principal still due.

(*a*) Sejwara.—[*Income Rs.* 2,961-5-4, *Liabilities Rs.* 8,494-8-9].—This estate consists of five malguzari villages and a one-third share in the malguzari of Lakhnadon, besides superior proprietory right in five villages. The management was assumed on the 1st May 1891, on application by the proprietor, Thakur Ram Singh, that he was incapable of managing his affairs.

Rs. 10,000 in all—first Rs. 4,000 and then Rs. 6,000—have been borrowed on security of the estate to pay off its debts. Repayment was promised at Rs. 1,000 a year, but in this second year of the management we have only been able to pay Rs. 400, of which Rs. 232-12-6 went in reduction of principal.

During the year under report all the villages of this Sejwara estate with the exception of Landaya Khera have been held under direct management. Hitherto they had been let out to farmers, and Landaya Khera is still held by a farmer under a lease for the term of the current settlement, granted by the proprietor before the estate was taken under management.

The year under report commenced with 383 maunds 11 seers 14 chattaks of wheat lent out to ryots of the estate. They had borrowed the grain on the usual *siwai* terms. Owing to failure of the wheat harvest nothing has been realized on grain account.

The proprietor, Ram Singh, and his sons, like their relatives of the Lakhnadon estate, have been giving trouble by exercising proprietary rights in disregard of the Court of Wards.

No expenditure was incurred on improvements. In an estate so heavily encumbered as this, and especially in a year of bad harvests, it was requisite to abstain from all avoidable expenditure.

(*a*) Narela.—[*Income Rs.* 2,757-5-6, *Liabilities Rs.* 19,932-11-9].—The management of this estate was assumed on the 23rd May 1891, on application of the proprietors stating their incapacity to manage their property. The proprietors are Sheo Baksh Bagri, one-third sharer, and his nephew Dhanpat, two-thirds sharer. Rs. 21,000 were borrowed from Raja Seth Gokuldas at 5½ per cent. per annum on security of the estate to pay off the debts of the proprietors. Repayment was promised at Rs. 2,900 a year, but in 1891-92 only Rs. 2,000 could be spared, including over Rs. 500 out of the original loan. In the year under report only Rs. 1,400 could be spared, and of this, after deducting interest, only Rs. 167-11-9 went towards the principal. The balance of the principal still due to Raja Seth Gokuldas amounted to Rs. 19,932-11-9.

The demand and recovery account is abstracted below:—

	Arrears of previous years.	Demand of year under Report.	Total.
	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.
Due	530 5 6	2,988 3 0	3,518 8 6
Realized	415 0 6	2,288 1 6	2,703 2 0
Total ...	115 5 0	700 1 6	815 6 6

The serious failure of the wheat harvest was the cause of the deficient recovery.

Statement III shows a cash balance in hand of Rs. 859-14-1.

In the last report the Deputy Commissioner erroneously assumed the 625 maunds 23 seers of pissi wheat realized from the cultivators to be an asset of the estate. In reality it was towards repayment of grain borrowed by the Court of Wards from Raja Seth Gokuldas at 12½ per cent. and lent out to the ryots at 15 per cent. His predecessor retained the grain to lend out again, but no recovery could be effected during the year under report owing to the failure of the wheat crop.

NARSINGHPUR DISTRICT.

(*a*) Imjhira.—[*Income Rs.* 19,403-1-10, *Liabilities* Nil].—Comparative table showing total and current rent demands with percentages uncollected:— MR. F. A. T. PHILLIPS, I. C. S., Deputy Commr.

Year.	Total demand *minus* irrecoverable arrears.	Current demand.	Total collections including arrears.	Percentages uncollected of—	
				Total demand.	Current demand.
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.		
1891-92 ...	16,503	16,403	16,485	1	...
1892-93 ...	16,377	16,365	16,377	...	...

The estate comprises 22 villages, of which 9 are in this district and the rest in Saugor Of the Narsinghpur villages 8 are under direct management and 1 is managed by the inferior proprietor. The villages in the Saugor District are not as important as those situated in this district.

The proprietor, Raja Bhanupratab, is now 20 years of age. A portion of the year under report he attended the College at Jubbulpore. His health had not been at all good latterly at Jubbulpore, and he showed no inclination to prosecute his studies there any further. As he has passed the Entrance Examination of the Calcutta University and has acquired a good knowledge of English, which he is able to read, write and talk well, and is also well versed in vernacular, the Deputy Commissioner did not consider it necessary to press him to read for the First Arts Examination, especially as he shows a considerable desire to educate himself in other ways. Accordingly he lived in his own village of Imjhira for a great portion of the year, and busied himself with looking after his estate, in which he takes the keenest interest. His health has improved, but he is still somewhat weak.

Formerly there were extensive Sir lands in the villages of Imjhira and Kacharkona, but under the operations of the law Sir rights in these were lost, and therefore the ward had no home farm. Some of his tenants, however, at his personal request, surrendered some of the holdings which had formerly been Sir, and he has now sufficient land of his own.

The expenses under "personal" have increased, but there was no waste of money. A grant of Rs. 2,000 was made under the Commissioner of the Division's sanction for the *gowna* ceremony of the ward. Of this Rs. 1,000 were spent in purchase of gold ornaments and cloth. The rest of the money was spent in the ordinary expenses attendant on such ceremonies. The money given to him for agricultural purposes has also been included in the personal expenses. These two items swell the expenditure under this head considerably.

The outstandings of debts due to the estate in this district are generally good. During the year under report a sum of Rs. 356-2-5 was written off, as after enquiry it was ascertained that there was no hope of recovering anything. Similar enquiry is on foot regarding the decretal amounts in favour of the ward; but as it is not yet complete, nothing has been remitted from this outstanding.

The arrangement for the supply of seed advances remained the same as before. Now there are grain stores in three places in this district, from which all persons who want seed can be supplied very conveniently.

There was no commuting of grain bonds into money bonds here, as all the advances made at the sowing time were duly recovered at the harvesting time with the exception of 4 maunds only. But there seems to be a large commuting of this sort in the Saugor District, as the Deputy Commissioner there adds an amount or Rs. 1,860-7-7 to the debts due to the estate on account of commuting grain bonds into money bonds.

There is no outstanding either on account of current rent demand or arrears.

The garden at Imjhira continues to flourish. A new one, as stated last year, has been started at Kacharkona at the desire of the ward. It is not, however, intended to make it as ornamental as the one at Imjhira. The latter is rather more for show than for income.

The Arvi cattle to which reference has been made in previous reports are a splendid breed. This year no cattle were sold, though there was a pair of young bullocks ready for sale. But the ward wanted to keep them for his own use, and they were kept.

A sum of Rs. 421 was spent on the village road. This now joins the three most important villages of the estate. When it is metalled, which will be done now, there will be easy communication even during the rains in all three villages. It is also hoped that the new road which is to connect Tendukhera with Barmhan and is to pass through Imjbira will be completed before very long. This will make the estate quite accessible at all times of the year.

The total investment on estate improvement in this district amounted to Rs. 2,667-1-3. The amount spent for this purpose in Saugor was Rs. 321-4-0. The amount spent there was mostly on village roads and repairs to wells in the several villages of the estate.

There were no lapses of absolute occupancy or occupancy tenures in either district during the year under report. Also no tenant purchased rights in his holdings.

Much requires to be done for the village of Kacharkona. It is a thickly populated village. The tenants are well off, and they have a very large number of cattle, particularly buffaloes. There are no waste sites in the Abadi where they can keep their cattle, and therefore both human beings and cattle are crowded into the same house. As the site of the village is on low ground this overcrowding is doubly dangerous. The Deputy Commissioner wishes the people to remove to another site, which is a short distance away and where the ground is high and where a properly laid out village could be established; but they cling to their old ancestral homes, and show disinclination to abandon them. However, it seems that something will have to be done to make the village more open.

(*Commissioner's remarks.*—This is a large and solvent estate and has been very well managed during the year. The ward, Raja Bhanupratap, has taken a share in the management of the estate during the year and has shown much interest in all its affairs. He is unfortunately not very strong, but is manly and intelligent and promises to be a good and capable head of the estate when the time comes for making it over to his charge. It is very satisfactory to find that the relations between him and his tenants are so cordial that several of them voluntarily surrendered to him what had formerly been the Sir lands of the family, but in respect to which the Sir rights had been lost.

The arrangements for the supply of advances of seed grain in this estate are very good, and loans to the tenants have also been liberally made.

The rent collections were, as usual, the best of all the estates under management in the district, there being no arrears at all. A sum of Rs. 2,988 was expended in various improvements, and it is this year proposed to expend a considerable sum on embanking the lands which the ward has acquired for his home-farm.

Altogether the estate is in a very flourishing condition and reflects much credit on the management of the Court of Wards.)

(*a*) Narsinghpur.—[*Income Rs.* 28,886-11-2, *Liabilities Rs.* 63,046-9-3].—Comparative table showing total and current rent demand with the percentages uncollected :—

Year.	Total demand *minus* irrecoverable arrears.	Current demand.	Total collections including arrears.	Percentage uncollected of—	
				Total demand.	Current demand.
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.		
1891-92 ...	27,305	25,976	25,594	6·26	5·61
1892-93 ..	26,737	25,171	26,307	1·6	1·64

This is one of the more important estates under the Court of Wards in this district. It comprises 23 villages and 2 plots. One of the latter is an absolute occupancy holding in the village of Dhubghat and the other a *maafi* field in the village of Dherwara. The whole of this village of Dherwara belongs to the estate, having been purchased some three years ago. But as it is in possession of a lessee whose lease will not expire till the end of the current settlement, the plot is separately shown. Out of the remaining villages 2½ are managed by the inferior proprietors, and the rest are under direct management. All the villages of this estate are well situated except 4, namely, (1) Goarikhurd, (2) Goarikallan, (3) Kishanpur and (4) Jamanjhiria, which are on the borders of the Government forest. Of these the two latter have considerable timber, and this increases their value, though the soil is very inferior and the tenants very poor.

The demand on account of Government revenue has decreased owing to the sale of Kheri and Rewanagar.

Rao Shcobharansingh, a boy of 15 years, is the proprietor of this estate. He is studying in the Rajkumar School at Jubbulpore. He seems to be naturally quiet and obedient. But the Deputy Commissioner fears that the home influences brought to bear on him are not always beneficial, his mother not being an altogether wise person or judicious in her treatment of her son. During the year she once encouraged the boy to declare open revolt against the Deputy Commissioner's authority, but he subsequently repented of his contumacy. His progress in his studies is reported to have been good. The Superintendent of the School writes that the boy is intelligent, but that he is handicapped somewhat by a weakly constitution. However, he shows signs, almost daily, that he is becoming stronger.

The same allowance of Rs. 100 a month was continued to the ward's mother, who stays at Narsinghpur, where she has a large palatial building to live in.

The cost of repairs continues to be somewhat heavy, as the family house is so large and has so many out-buildings attached to it that every year some portion or other seems to require immediate repair.

The recovery of debts of long standing too has been somewhat better, as systematic attempts are now made to collect them. At the same time a scrutiny is being made into the nature of these debts with a view to striking off all that are clearly unrealizable, instead of allowing them to cumber the statements needlessly year after year. So far only the debts due on bonds have been scrutinized, and a sum of Rs. 3,088-7-0 has been struck off as irrecoverable, being due either from persons who have no property or from persons who have died without heirs or leaving heirs who are insolvent. It remains to scrutinize the debts due on decrees. This will be done in the course of the current year.

In this estate the rent collections have never before reached the present figure of efficiency. Rs. 24,882-2-1 have been collected on account of current demand and Rs. 1,425-3-5 on account of arrears out of Rs. 25,170-12-9 and Rs. 1,710-14-5, respectively, leaving respective balances of Rs. 288-14-8 and Rs. 140-12-1 after the irrecoverable arrears are excluded.

The percentage on the total uncollected arrears comes to 1·6 as against 6·26 in 1891-92—a vast improvement.

A sum of Rs. 144-14-11 was written off. Of these Rs. 39-10-6 were due from several tenants of the jungly villages. These are mostly Gonds. If extreme measures are taken to recover arrears from these persons they desert their homes, a thing not desirable, and therefore stringent measures are taken against them only when absolutely necessary.

The practice of taking rent in the form of grain does not exist in this district, and therefore there was no commuting of such rents into money rents. In this estate there have been no dealings in seed advances for several years. As it is greatly in debt it could in any case carry on a very extensive business in grain. Apart from this fact the tenants generally do not appear to experience any difficulty in obtaining advances for seed.

A sum of Rs. 839-8-7 was expended on estate improvement. No larger amount could be expected from an estate circumstanced as this is.

(*Commissioner's remarks.*—This is a large and important estate, but is still very heavily encumbered. The ward, however, is very young, and from the Deputy Commissioner's account of his conduct during the year it would not appear that it is very likely that he would be fit to be entrusted with the charge of the estate as soon as he comes of age. There would not then seem to be any great object in endeavouring to clear off the liabilities of the estate by a very early date, and I should be sorry to see the allowances of the ward's mother curtailed, and think that something more should be done in effecting improvements in the estate. The amount expended on this account during the year was quite insignificant, and in a large estate like this it is important that an example in this way should be set. The chief difficulty, however, is in respect of the debts due to other ward's estates at a low rate of interest. Raja Seth Gokuldas is, I have found, always willing to extend the time for repayment of loans at 6 per cent. interest, but loans from other estates at 5 per cent. ought to be repaid as soon as possible. It was then quite right to repay the whole of the debt due to the Bagaspur Estate during the year, and the debt to the Imjhira Estate also ought to be paid off before anything can be set apart for improvements.

Generally speaking, the management of the estate has been excellent and reflects credit on the Court of Wards).

(*a*) Behrora.—[*Income Rs.* 1,432-6-6, *Liabilities Rs.* 7,054-0-9].—The following table shows the total and current rent demands, with percentages of uncollected rents :—

Year.	Total demand excluding irrecoverable arrears.	Current demand.	Total collections including arrears.	Percentages uncollected of—	
				Total demand.	Current demand.
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.		
1891-92 ...	1,382	1,376	1,377	·36	·36
1892-93 ...	1,369	1,369	1,329	2·92	2·92

The village of Behrora, which comprises this estate, is owned by two brothers—Basant Rai and Lachhmi Prasad. None of them are minors, the management of the estate being assumed owing to its indebtedness on the application of the proprietors. Basant Rai is a Government servant at Badnur. Lachhmi Prasad lives with the family in the family house at Shrinagar.

Rent collections were fair, the demand having been realized in full except Rs. 40-8-3, notwithstanding the damage done to crops on account of excessive moisture.

The tenants of the estate found some difficulty in getting seed-grain. Last year an agricultural loan was given to some of the tenants as the heavy rains of that year had done a great deal of damage to seed stocks. But this year no tenant asked for a loan. As it seems desirable that facility should be afforded for the supply of seed advances, the Deputy Commissioner is looking out for a mahajan who will undertake the business.

No improvement of the estate could be effected during the year for want of funds and also on account of the limited resources of the estate.

The miscellaneous expenditure was mostly on account of law charges.

Out of the available profits Rs. 700 were paid towards the liquidation of debt, including Rs. 455-2-0 paid on account of interest.

(*Commissioner's remarks.*—Nothing could be done in the way of improvements in this estate owing to want of funds.)

(*a*) Deonagarh.—[*Income Rs.* 2,956-8-6, *Liabilities Rs.* 9,131-4-0].—Comparative table showing total and current rent demands with percentages uncollected :—

Year.	Total demand *minus* irrecoverable arrears.	Current demand.	Total collections including arrears.	Percentages uncollected of—	
				Total demand.	Current demand.
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs		
1891-92 ...	3,322	3,303	3,290	·96	·39
1892-93 ...	3,245	3,213	2,910	10·3	9·8

The estate consists of two villages, *viz.*, Deonagarh and Barpani, the latter of which is uninhabited.

The proprietor, Raghubir Prasad, a boy of 21 years, resides at Jubbulpore and attends the Government College there. He is now reading in the second year F. A. class. During the year under report his health was good. The rest of the family live at Shrinagar, where they have a good house.

The arrangements for the maintenance of the family remained the same as in 1891-92, but a small increase of Rs. 5 a month was made to Raghubir Prasad's allowance. Though the estate can ill afford such an increase it was thought necessary to allow the ward little extra money as his wants increase with his age.

The rent collections this year are not so good as they might be. But the harvest in this part of the district was poor, and in consequence the tenants found considerable difficulty in paying their rents. Two tenants alone fell into arrears to the extent of Rs. 225. There is no doubt about the eventual recovery of this amount.

There are no grain transactions here. The tenants make their own arrangements for the supply of seed. In this they find no difficulty as many of the tenants are in good circumstances, who lend seed to the other cultivators.

The total repayment of debt amounted to Rs. 1,400. Out of this sum, Rs. 545-7-9 were paid as interest. The amount available for paying the principal amount was somewhat smaller than in the previous year owing to short collections.

There are no works of urgent necessity to be undertaken for improving the estate.

(*Commissioner's remarks.*—A small increase had to be made to the allowances of the ward, who is attending the Government College at Jubbulpore. Collections were also not very good as the crops failed in this part of the district to a considerable extent, and the Deputy Commissioner refrained from putting too much pressure on the tenants. No improvements were accordingly effected, and the Deputy Commissioner writes that none are urgently necessary.)

(*a*) **Chawarpatha.**—[*Income Rs.* 16,346-6-2, *Liabilities Nil*].—Comparative table showing total and current rent demands with percentages uncollected :—

Year.	Total demand excluding irrecoverable arrears.	Current demand.	Total Collections including arrears.	Percentages uncollected of—	
				Total demand.	Current demand.
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.		
1891-92 ...	16,218	14,060	13,906	14·25	8·83
1892-93 ...	16,487	14,283	15,410	6·53	5·44

In 1891-92 the property consisted of 7 whole villages and shares in 8 others, and absolute occupancy holdings in 5 others. During the year under report a 2-annas-3-pies share in the village of Charguo, which was purchased last year in execution of a decree in favour of the wards, has been added to the estate. Although it was purchased in 1891-92, possession was only obtained in the year under report, so it could not be shown last year.

The proprietors of this estate are Dalchand and Tijram. Both of them are minors. The former is now 18 years of age, and the latter 15. The whole of the family live at Chawarpatha in their own house, which is adequate for their requirements. The wards kept excellent health throughout the year. They continue to make fair progress in their education. But their tutor is not a first-class man, and the amount of teaching that he can impart is limited. The Deputy Commissioner is on the look-out for a really good man who could act as their tutor.

The elder ward evinces a taste for the business of money-lending, which was his father's occupation, but is also fond of agriculture. He has now relieved his mother of much work by undertaking the superintendence of the house-farm, and he seems anxious to increase its extent.

Two special grants were made during the year under report amounting to Rs. 3,000. Out of this sum Rs. 2,000 were given under sanction of the Commissioner, Nerbudda Division, for celebrating the marriage of the wards' cousin. The funds were entrusted to Mussammat Radha Sethani, the wards' mother, who arranged all the details of the marriage. The choice of the bridegroom was approved of by the Deputy Commissioner. The girl is married to a son of the proprietor of Khairi in this district, who though not very rich is of a respectable family. Another grant was made for preparing two gold bangles for the wards' mother, which the ward and his caste people declared to be necessary according to the custom of the caste.

The stock of seed grain had to be increased by the addition of the grain received as interest on former advances, and also by a fresh purchase of 144 maunds of pissi. In 1892-93 the seed advances amounted to 1,337 maunds as against 1,057 maunds in 1891-92. This is due to the lighter rate of interest now charged in accordance with the Chief Commissioner's instructions. The estate now has gram stores in four villages, *viz.*, Kashikhairi, Chilka, Hemra and Paloha. From these the tenants of the estate can be supplied easily.

The charitable expenditure including the price of grain amounted to Rs. 430-14-6, of which Rs. 136-6-6 were in cash. The bulk of this was for *sadaburt*, *i. e.*, giving one day's food to any one who chooses to ask for it. This custom is maintained at Chawarpatha only. The expenditure was within the bounds allowed by the Chief Commissioner.

During the year under report the improvement in the rent collections is very marked. The arrears have been reduced by more than one-half. In all the villages of the estate except Chirria and Rukwada, the outstandings are insignificant. Even for these villages every effort

was made to reduce the outstanding. In Chirria, tenants think it quite unnecessary to pay rent until the law is brought into operation against them. Proceedings are often taken to eject the defaulters under Section 72 of the Tenancy Act. But these proceedings give a year's grace. Consequently arrears are always shown against Chirria.

The road in the village of Chawarpatha was in a terrible state of disrepair. As it passes just in front of the wards' house, and is moreover much used not only by the wards but by the people generally, the Deputy Commissioner directed that it should be put in order. Accordingly in the year under report it was repaired at a cost of Rs. 251-15-9, and is now in excellent order.

(*Commissioner's remarks.*—This is a thoroughly solvent estate, and the eldest of the two wards appears to be proving himself to be capable and steady. He was very properly entrusted with the supervision of several of the works in progress, and carried them to completion satisfactorily. It is to be hoped that during the present year he will commence the work of embanking the Sir fields.)

(*a*) **Amheta.**—[*Income Rs.* 928-3-0, *Liabilities Rs.* 365-1-0].—Comparative statement showing total and current rent demands with percentages uncollected:—

Year.	Total demand *minus* irrecoverable arrears.	Current demand.	Total collections including arrears.	Percentage uncollected of—	
				Total demand.	Current demand.
	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.		
1891-92 ...	921 9 0	921 9 0	921 9 0	...	...
1892-93 ...	921 9 0	921 9 0	921 9 0	...	..

This estate consists of an **Ubari** holding in the village of Amheta. Randhirsing, the owner of the estate, is 21 years of age. He has thus arrived at his majority, but the management of the estate will have to be retained for two years more till all the liabilities are extinguished. Randhirsing and his family reside at Amheta, where they have a small but comfortable house of the family. The health of the ward was good throughout the year.

In an estate like this there is no room for works of improvement except embanking lands. But even this was not undertaken because all the lands belonging to the ward are let to other tenants, and therefore it was not of immediate advantage to the ward to embank them.

(*Commissioner's remarks.*—This estate will very soon be clear of debt, and the management can then be relinquished, as the ward is of age and appears competent to undertake the management himself.)

(*a*) **Kouria.**—[*Income Rs.* 1,300-1-3, *Liabilities Rs.* 456-5-0].—The following table compares the total and current rent demands with percentages uncollected of the last two years:—

Year.	Total demand excluding irrecoverable arrears.	Current demand.	Total collections including arrears.	Percentage uncollected of—	
				Total demand.	Current demand.
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.		
1891-92 ...	1,106	935	921	16·72	10·69
1892-93 ...	1,100	928	1,064	3·27	2·58

This estate consists of small shares in three villages and of holdings in two others. The proprietor, Narbada Pershad, is a minor of 13 years of age. He lives under the superintendence of his mother at Kauria and attends the village school there. He is now in the 4th Hindi class. The boy is reported to be making steady progress. During the year under report his health was good. The liabilities of the estate have been considerably reduced during the year under report.

Considering the income of the estate the law charges continued to be heavy. The village of the estate not being partitioned, the number of tenants is very large, and so every shareholder has to receive his portion of rent from each tenant, and the tenants also not being punctual in payments, suits have to be instituted constantly for recovery of arrears.

There has been considerable improvements in rent collections, and it is hoped that at the end of the current year the outstanding arrears will have been fully recovered.

There was no necessity for making any arrangements for supply of seed to the tenants of the estate as the ward owns small shares in the villages of the estate. The other proprietors do what is wanted.

The indifference of the co-sharers in the matter of improvements was the principal reason why this estate would not do much by way of its improvements.

Towards the repayment of debt Rs. 353-6-9 were paid. The estate has now become nearly solvent, and in future years it would be possible to spend more on the ward's education, when he will probably have to be located at head-quarters for studying in the 1st grade Middle School.

(*Commissioner's remarks.*—This estate consists only of small shares in villages, and there has been no partition. It is then difficult to start any improvements, as the other shareholders take no interest in the matter.)

(*a*) Sanikhera.—[*Income Rs.* 3,451-1-11, *Liabilities Rs.* 3,690-1-9].—The following table compares the total and current rent demands and also the percentages of uncollected rents of the last two years :—

Year.	Total demand *minus* irrecoverable arrears.	Current demand.	Total collections including arrears.	Percentages uncollected of—	
				Total demand.	Current demand.
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.		
1891-92 .	3,116	2,905	2,964	4·91	2·65
1892-93 ...	3,024	2,899	2,827	6·48	4·55

This estate consists of a 5-annas-4-pies share in five villages and of two malik-makbuza holdings.

The wards are :—

(1) Sheolal, aged 24.
(2) Murlidhar, aged 20.
(3) Khemchand, aged 17.
(4) Jaggannath, aged 14.

They continue to reside in their house at Sanikhera. No change was necessary in the maintenance allowance except that a separate allowance had, as anticipated last year, to be allotted to Khemchand on his application on account of his family quarrels.

It is a matter of regret that I noticed no improvement in the character of the wards. They kept excellent health.

During the year under report a claim of Rs. 500 was made against the wards on a bond executed by them. The claim was contested on the ground of the wards' incapacity to contract loans under Section 23 of the Government Wards Act. The claim was dismissed, but on appeal by the plaintiff, the defendants were made liable to pay all the costs of the suit.

Rent collections during the year under report were not so satisfactory as those of the preceding year. Arrears have increased in Madgula, where one tenant alone was in arrear to the extent of Rs. 64-10-6.

The tenants make their own arrangements for seed grain.

No estate improvement works were done as there was no immediate necessity for such works, and also because the estate is not solvent. The amount paid towards the liquidation of debts was Rs. 1,300, out of which Rs. 266-9-3 were paid as interest.

(*Commissioner's remarks.*—This estate is still in debt, but this should be soon cleared off when some improvements ought to be undertaken.)

(*a*). Ramkhiria.—[*Income Rs.* 1,858-5-0, *Liabilities* Nil].—Comparative table showing total and current rent demands with percentages uncollected :—

Year.	Total demand *minus* irrecoverable arrears.	Current demand.	Total collections including arrears.	Percentages uncollected of—	
				Total demand.	Current demand.
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.		
1891-92 ...	1,207	1,206	1,207	...	...
1892-93 ...	1,201	1,201	1,201	...	...

The estate consists of a single village. The proprietor, Pulan lar Singh, is now 18 years of age. For a portion of the year he lived at Narsinghpur, and studied under a private tutor. But he did not take at all kindly to book-learning, and it has always been difficult to keep him to his studies.

He has since been sent home to Ramkhiria in order that he might carry on cultivation there, an occupation which he had expressed a desire to follow.

A portion of the Sir lands was given to him, and he was provided with all things necessary for cultivation, such as livestock and implements of husbandry.

The Court of Wards has seed of its own here. It is issued at 12½ per cent. All that was advanced was duly recovered when the harvest was gathered. The quantity on hand at the close of 1890-91 was inadequate for the needs of the following year, as all the tenants of the estate took advantage of the favourable terms offered them, and therefore the stock had to be supplemented by a fresh purchase of 152 maunds at a cost of Rs. 498-15-0.

The ward has no suitable dwelling house in his village. The old house which belonged to his father is shut in by other buildings, and is badly in need of some open place. It is also in a dilapidated state. It is, therefore, under contemplation to erect a small and convenient house on a new and more suitable site.

(*Commissioner's remarks.*—This is a solvent estate, and the ward has now been allowed to return to the village and cultivate a portion of the Sir land.

The wells belonging to him are being repaired, and it is also proposed to build him a good house.

I think that some improvements such as embanking fields might also be started under the ward's supervision. This might lead him to take an interest in such works.)

(*a*) **Baroda.**—[*Income Rs.* 640-3-9, *Liabilities* Nil].—Comparative table showing total and current rent demands with percentages uncollected :—

Year.	Total demand including arrears.	Current demand.	Total collections including arrears.	Percentages uncollected of—	
				Total demand.	Current demand.
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.		
1891-92 ..	556	556	556	..	...
1892-93 ...	277	277	277	...	...

The proprietress, Mussammat Sundar, is a girl of 17 years. She has one-fourth share in the village of Baroda. She now lives with her husband at Bajaspur. No allowance is paid to her as her husband is well off.

From this estate a sum of Rs. 800 was advanced to the Khamaria Estate. This amount was realized with interest.

There appears to be a great difference between the last year's rent-roll and the present one, but it is only nominal. The Settlement Officer awarded Sir rights in a portion of the lands which were Sir at the time of the last Settlement. These therefore are now separated from the village rent-roll. There are no arrears either from regular tenants or the sub-tenants of Sir lands.

The outlay on estate improvement was very small, there being no room for anything further than some slight repairs to field embankments. Almost all the Sir lands are well embanked, and the cost is for repairs only. It is, however, intended to embank some of the holdings of ordinary tenants in the ensuing year.

(*Commissioner's remarks.*—This is a very small estate which is only retained under management because the husband of the ward is a man of bad character.

There is not much room for improvements as all the Sir fields have already been embanked. It is, however, intended to embank some of the ordinary tenants' fields during the present year.)

(*a*) **Chirchitta.**—[*Income Rs.* 597-12-6, *Liabilities Rs.* 2,415-8-1].—Comparative table showing the total and current rent demands with percentages uncollected :—

Year	Total demand excluding irrecoverable arrears.	Current demand.	Total collections including arrears.	Percentages uncollected of—	
				Total demand.	Current demand.
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.		
1891-92 ...	587	587	582	·85	·85
1892-93 ..	606	606	584	3·63	3·63

This small estate is made up of two half villages and an Ubari plot in the village of Chadnankhera. The proprietors are Ramlal and Jawahrilal. None of them are minors. The estate is being managed on the application of the proprietors on account of its indebtedness. The wards are given the Sir lands rent-free for the maintenance of the family.

The whole current demand has been collected, with the exception of Rs. 22, due from one Chait Singh, who could not pay up the arrear on account of the indifferent harvest of the year.

The repayment of debts amounted to Rs. 250, of which Rs. 152-14-1 were paid as interest. The repayment of debts will be slow, as the resources of the estate are limited.

Owing to the limited income of the estate and its indebtedness it was not possible to undertake any estate improvement work. Efforts are, however, being made to induce tenants to embank their holdings.

(*Commissioner's remarks.*—The liabilities in this estate are very heavy, and the income small; nothing can consequently be done in the way of improvements.)

(*a*) Umaria.—[*Income Rs.* 10,653-12-4, *Liabilities Rs.* 3,131-14-0].—Comparative table showing the total and current rent demands with percentages of uncollected balances:—

Year.	Total demand *minus* irrecoverable arrears.	Current demand.	Total collections including arrears.	Percentages uncollected of—	
				Total demand.	Current demand.
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.		
1891-92 ...	10,005	9,761	9,737	2·68	2·
1892-93 ...	9,785	9,577	9,628	1·59	·41

The estate consists of 14 villages, of which 4 are owned by inferior proprietors, and 10 are under direct management.

The proprietress, Mussammat Peari Bai, has a fine house at Umaria, where she lives. Her son, Gopal Singh, a boy of 17 years, is studying in the Rajkumar School at Jubbulpore.

The Superintendent of that school reports favourably regarding his behaviour and health. He is very regular in his attendance, but is said to be not very bright.

The estate is now nearly solvent, and therefore it is intended to extend the purchase of grain for seed, but it will be done gradually. All the seed advances have been duly recovered. The grain received by way of interest was added to the stock.

All the current rent demands, which amount to Rs. 9,576-15-5, have been realised with the exception of Rs. 40-6-3.

Now the time has arrived for the undertaking of works of improvement, as the liabilities have very nearly been liquidated. For the next year a small amount has been provided for embanking Sir lands. It is very necessary to set an example in this direction, as in the villages round about this estate there are scarcely any embanked fields. The tenants here have not yet appreciated the advantages which accrue from such works, and it seems to be the duty of the Court of Wards to initiate them. The water-supply in all the villages of the estate is good.

Notwithstanding the special expenditure of about Rs. 489 for purchase of seed, Rs. 1,500 were paid to the creditors of the estate, of which Rs. 1,368-2-0 were for the principal sum. Now the remaining liabilities amount to Rs. 3,131-14-0 only. This sum can be paid off in two years more. In fact, before Gopal Singh comes of age his estate will be solvent.

(*Commissioner's remarks.*—This estate is now nearly clear of debt, and it is proposed to commence the work of embanking the Sir fields during the present year.)

(*a*) **Bakori.**—[*Income Rs.* 440-6-3, *Liabilities Rs.* 2,816-4-3].—Comparative table showing the total and current rent demand with percentages uncollected :—

Years.	Total demand including arrears.	Current demand.	Total collections including arrears.	Percentages uncollected of—	
				Total demand.	Current demand.
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.		
1891-92 ...	444	444	428	3·6	3·6
1892-93 ...	455	439	439	3·51	...

The estate, which consists of a half village only, is owned by Manaklal and the two minor sons of the late Ajudhya Parsad. The management was at first assumed for the indebtedness of the proprietors. They used to live separately and earn their livelihood by some independent work. But the death of Ajudhya Parsad and his widow also left the minors helpless. They are now, as a temporary measure, living with their maternal uncle at Seoni. As it is not possible to make any arrangements for the support of these young wards out of the estate funds, proposals have been submitted to sell half the property and thus to provide for the minor sons of Ajudhya Parsad. These have been sanctioned and will be carried into effect shortly.

The current rents have been collected in full. The arrear of Rs. 16 is the same as was mentioned last year, and the Court of Wards has not yet been able to collect it. But the decree against the tenant is now being executed.

Towards the repayment of debts Rs. 250 were paid, of which Rs. 138-12-0 were for interest.

Here the tenants, being poor, are not able to make any improvements in their holdings, nor are the proprietors in a position to do anything.

(*Commissioner's remarks.*—This estate is very heavily encumbered, and it has become necessary to sell part of the property.)

(*a*) **Singhpur.**—[*Income Rs.* 10,395-3-9, *Liabilities Rs.* 63,162-9-1].—Comparative table showing total and current demands with percentages uncollected :—

Years.	Total demand *minus* irrecoverable arrears.	Current demand.	Total collections including arrears.	Percentages uncollected of—	
				Total demand.	Current demand.
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.		
1891-92 ...	7,528	7,287	7,196	4·41	3·27
1892-93 ...	7,322	7,129	7,212	1·5	1·31

The estate consists of six whole villages and two half villages. The proprietors are Thakur Jagatsing and Netrasing. They are both of full age. They reside at Singhpur. Hitherto they were allowed a portion of Sir land for their maintenance, and Rs. 300 used to be realized from them as rent. But during the year under report this has been discontinued, and they are allowed to hold the lands rent free. Almost all the current rents have been collected.

Arrangements for supplying seed to the Dundwada tenants remained the same as in 1891-92. All seed advances with 12½ per cent. interest were recovered at the harvest time; and such grain as was in excess of the requirements of the tenants was disposed of to other persons. No difficulty is experienced by the other tenants of the estate in getting supplies of seed. The estate, moreover, being greatly involved, the Court of Wards could not undertake any more business in this direction.

Rs. 1,974-9-5 were paid towards the repayment of debt. This amount is, indeed, very small in comparison with the liabilities, which are very heavy. But the resources of the estate are limited and more rapid progress in the liquidation of debt is impossible.

(*Commissioner's remarks.*—The liabilities of this estate are very heavy, and the Deputy Commissioner was consequently unable to undertake any improvements.)

(*a*) Bamhori.—[*Income Rs.* 4,979-6-3, *Liabilities Rs.* 25,336-12-9].—Comparative table showing total and current rent demand with percentages uncollected :—

Year.	Total demand excluding irrecoverable arrears.	Current demand.	Total collections including arrears.	Percentages uncollected of—	
				Total demand.	Current demand.
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.		
1891-92 ...	4,958	4,813	4,719	4·82	3·46
1892-93 ...	4,963	4,827	4,943	·4	·41

The property consists of two whole villages and a 13-annas-4-pies share in the village of Ghugri. The proprietor, Harshankarlal, is not a minor. The estate was taken under management for indebtedness. Harshankarlal and his three sons live at Bamhori in their own house. For the maintenance of the family some Sir land is allowed rent free. Harshankarlal is an idle useless person. For a time he was set to work as mukadam-gumashta. But he performed the duties so badly that he had to be removed.

There are large outstanding debts due to the estate, but there is no hope of recovering much.

The rent collections in this estate have now come up to the mark. This was one of the worst estates for rent collections.

In this estate some arrangements for the supply of seed at a moderate interest are called for. The Deputy Commissioner has been trying to induce some mahajan to undertake the business on the lines laid down by the Chief Commissioner, but has not yet succeeded.

As the estate is involved in debt no works of improvement can be done. During the year under report Rs. 2,700 were paid to the creditors. This is in fact in excess of the estimated amount. But out of this sum Rs. 1,527-3-6 were swallowed up by interest alone. It is very doubtful whether this estate can be clear of its liabilities unless a portion of it is sold.

(*Commissioner's remarks.*—This estate is very heavily encumbered, and it may be necessary to sell a part of it. No improvements could consequently be effected.)

(*a*) **Surra.**—[*Income Rs.* 760-7-0, *Liabilities Rs.* 3,784-11-0].—Comparative table showing the total and current rent demands with percentages uncollected :—

Year.	Total demand excluding irrecoverable arrears.	Current demand.	Total collections including arrears.	Percentages uncollected of—	
				Total demand.	Current demand.
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.		
1891-92 ..	717	716	676	5·58	5·58
1892-93 ...	718	715	635	11·56	11·46

This estate consists of a village and a half. The proprietors are not minors. The management was assumed for indebtedness. For the support of the family a portion of the Sir lands is allowed rent free.

A sum of Rs. 4,000 was borrowed from Raja Gokuldas to pay off another creditor who took advantage of a condition in his mortgage deed to the effect that he could at any time demand repayment if he gave one year's notice.

This is one of the heavily indebted estates. During the year under report Rs. 422-14-6 only were paid towards the liquidation of debt, nor is any larger sum likely to be available for this purpose in any year.

The rent collections are not as good as in the previous year.

The tenants of this estate are not in easy circumstances, and some arrangement for supply of seed to them is very desirable, but the funds of the estate are so limited that not a pie can be laid out in this direction. There are persons willing to advance seed on the security of the Court of Wards, but they will not reduce the rate of their interest to less than 20 per cent.

(*Commissioner's remarks.*—The liabilities in this estate are very heavy, and the income small, so that it has been found impossible even to help the tenants, who are badly off and experience difficulty in getting seed grain.)

(*a*) **Bhugwara.**—[*Income Rs.* 2,008-7-6, *Liabilities* Nil].—The followirg table gives the total and current rent demands with percentages of uncollected rents of the past two years :—

Year.	Total demand *minus* irrecoverable arrears.	Current demand.	Total collections including arrears.	Percentages uncollected of—	
				Total demand.	Current demand.
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.		
1891-92 ...	1,953	1,863	1,952	...	...
1892-93 ..	1,514	1,513	1,514	...	...

The estate consists of one entire village of Bhugwara. Beni Singh is now the full proprietor of the village, superior proprietary rights in the village having been acquired for him.

Rs. 520, being the balance of the purchase money for those rights and interest, were paid during the year under report to the Narsinghpur estate.

The ward continues to live in his house at Bhugwara and to receive the same allowance as in the previous year.

Beni Singh is sufficiently advanced in age to be able to look after his estate, but the Deputy Commissioner is not yet satisfied that he will be able to properly manage his estate.

Rent collections were good, there being no arrears left from the current demand and also from the previous year. It was supposed that tenants of the estate were in need of seed advances. Arrangements were therefore made, but no tenant accepted the offers made. The tenants apparently make their own arrangements, and have seed stocks.

Two wells in the village belonging to the ward were repaired during the year under report. These being the only wells in the village the water-supply of the village has thus been improved.

(*Commissioner's remarks.*—I think that as the ward is now of an age to manage the estate, he ought, if it is not thought expedient to relinquish it to him, to be made to supervise some improvements, such as the embanking of fields, &c.)

(*a*) Hatnapur.—[*Income Rs.* 1,697-13-8, *Liabilities Rs.* 6,499-8-0].—Comparative table showing the total and current rent demands with percentages uncollected :—

Year.	Total rent demand *minus* irrecoverable arrears.	Current demand.	Total collections including arrears.	Percentage uncollected of—	
				Total demand.	Current demand.
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.		
1891-92 ...	1,032	1,026	973	5·6	5·4
1892-93 ...	1,091	1,045	1,023	6·3	5·2

The estate consists of 8 villages, 1 of which has been mortgaged with possession in satisfaction of a debt. Of the remaining 7, 4 are managed direct, while in 3 there are inferior proprietors. These three are in the heart of the forest. It is only in the village of Hatnapur that there is any land of any value. The proprietor, Raja Sangramshah, has three brothers, one of whom is grown up, while the other two are of school-going age, being 13 and 11 respectively.

An attempt was made to establish a school in the village, If it had succeeded, these two boys would have been taught in that school. But it failed. So they have been brought into Narsinghpur to be educated.

The ward and his next brother with their families live at Hatnapur in their own house. The marriage of the ward's sister was celebrated this year.

Nothing could be paid to the creditor of the estate, partly owing to the extra grant for marriage and partly owing to the failure of Abdul Ali Ismalji, from whom Rs. 364-6-6 were due on account of the 'Harra' contract. It is doubtful whether this sum will ever be realized.

The rent collections are as good as in the previous year. In the villages of this estate leniency in rent collections is always necessary as the tenants are poor and the soil inferior.

(*Commissioner's remarks.*—Nothing could be paid towards liquidation of the loan during the year owing to the Harra contractor having failed to pay the amount of the contract and to some expenditure having to be incurred in the marriage of the ward's sister, and also to arrangements having to be made to educate his younger brother at Narsinghpur.)

(*a*) **Bagaspur.**—[*Income Rs.* 1,704-7-0, *Liabilities Rs.* 4,214-5-3].—The following table shows the total and current rent demands and also percentages of uncollected rents :—

Year.	Total demand excluding irrecoverable arrears.	Current demand.	Total collections including arrears.	Percentages uncollected of—	
				Total demand.	Current demand.
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.		
1891-92 ...	1,589	1,559	1,589	...	...
1892-93 ...	1,504	1,504	1,459	2·92	2·92

The estate consists of small shares in three villages. The proprietors, Holkarsingh and Pratapsingh, are minors, being 19 and 17 respectively. They continue to efficiently look after their home-farm in their possession for the maintenance of the family. During the year under report the elder ward lost his wife. A special grant of Rs. 100 had to be made to enable him to perform her funeral ceremonies as it was not possible for him to meet this unusual expenditure out of the home-farm income in his possession.

The whole of the current demand for the past year except Rs. 44-8-0 was collected. Of the arrears, Rs. 37-8-0 were due by a single tenant who died, leaving a widow. The widow could not pay up the arrears. The total repayment of debts was the same as last year.

Sir lands of the estate are all embanked. Owing to the limited income of the estate and its indebtedness money was not available for estate improvements, and there were none of urgent necessity.

(*Commissioner's remarks.*—This estate is still much in debt, and no improvements were effected during the year.)

(*a*) **Amgaon.**—[*Income Rs.* 4,646-8-11, *Liabilities Rs.* 11,420-12-6].—Comparative table showing total and current rent demands with percentages uncollected :—

Year.	Total demand excluding irrecoverable arrears.	Current demand.	Total collections including arrears.	Percentages uncollected of—	
				Total demand.	Current demand.
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.		
1891-92 ...	4,072	4,016	4,006	1·62	·37
1892-93 ...	3,915	3,900	3,852	1·63	1·64

The estate consists of six villages. The proprietors are Rao Anrudhsingh and his nephew, Dewansing. They live jointly. Dewansing is 9 years of age. He attends the village school at Amgaon, but it can scarcely yet be said that he has commenced to learn. All the family live at Amgaon in their own house.

The rent collections are good. The small outstanding of Rs. 63-9-1 was due to the carelessness of the moharir in charge of the estate.

The tenants make their own arrangements for supply of seed. There seems no difficulty in this estate as many of the tenants have their own seed grain, and the rest have their several lenders.

Repayment of debt amounted to Rs. 1,700, of which Rs. 678-9-0 were paid as interest.

Rents are collected with ease in this estate. All the villages comprising the estate are close to Amgaon. The moharir in charge of the estate is scarcely even required to leave his head-quarters.

(*Commissioner's remarks.*—The liabilities of this estate are somewhat heavy, but the income is considerable, and I think that the repairs necessary to put the house of the family into thorough order should be undertaken at once.)

(*a*) Gortala.—[*Income Rs.* 2,893-15-3, *Liabilities Rs.* 9,000-0-0].—Comparative table showing total and current rent demands with percentages uncollected :—

Year.	Total demand *minus* irrecoverable arrears.	Current demand.	Total collections including arrears.	Percentages uncollected of—	
				Total demand.	Current demand.
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.		
1891-92 ...	...	...	...	...	...
1892-93 ...	1,794	1,794	1,434	...	20·

The estate consists of 4 villages, 1 of which is entirely owned by the proprietor, while in 2 others he holds an 8-annas share and in the fourth he is lessee. The last-mentioned village has been in the possession of the family from before the time of the current settlement, and therefore application has been made to the Settlement Officer for the grant of protected status under the Land Revenue Act.

The proprietor is Hayat Khan, who had applied for his estate to be brought under the Court of Wards for indebtedness. The proposals for assuming the management of the estate were sanctioned on certain conditions in Junior Secretary to the Chief Commissioner's letter No. 628-S, dated the 13th March 1891. But as Hayat Khan had not fulfilled all that he had promised, the sanction remained in abeyance for a long time, and after some correspondence, and on Hayat Khan's fulfilling his word, the management was finally assumed in November 1892. No proper arrangements have yet been made for the maintenance of the family. During the year under report all the Khudkast lands remained in the possession of the proprietor, as it was then too late to dispose of a portion of them to other persons. This will now be done, and Hayat Khan will only be allowed to hold as much land for maintenance as was recommended before.

A loan of Rs. 9,000 was taken from Amarchand, Brahmin of Kandeli, under the Chief Commissioner's sanction, to consolidate debt into one lump sum. With these sums and the profits of the year under report all the creditors have been paid.

The rent collections are not good. The Court of Wards had to accept the settlement made by Hayat Khan as there was no time to make any alteration. It has since been ascertained that the rents of some of these tenants are rather high. These will now be revised for the current year, and whenever necessary remission of arrears will be granted.

A sum of Rs. 200 had to be spent on improvements to repairs to some of the embankments.

Hayat Khan was allowed to do this work, as the lands would have deteriorated considerably if the embankments had not been repaired.

(*Commissioner's remarks.*—This estate has only lately been taken under management, and the Deputy Commissioner has not yet had time to get its affairs in order.)

(*a*) Bilthori.—[*Income Rs.* 852-7-11, *Liabilities Rs.* 466-14-2].—The following table gives figures for the past two years of the total and current rent demands with percentages uncollected :—

Year.	Total demand including irrecoverable arrears.	Current demand.	Total collections including arrears.	Percentages uncollected of—	
				Total demand.	Current demand.
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.		
1891-92 ...	731	666	640	12·44	6·75
1892-93 ..	681	590	640	4·48	3·39

The villages of this estate are the same as those of Nerbadda Prasad's estate, with this exception, that this ward has smaller shares. He has in addition to these one muafi plot in Mauzah Chirch Kallan.

The ward is now 21 years of age, but as the estate is not yet solvent the management will have to be continued for about two years more.

The maintenance allowance of the ward and his family was, during the year under report reduced from Rs. 12 to Rs. 6 per mensem, and the ward was put in possession of his muafi plot with a view to give him practical training in the management of the estate. He continued to live with the family in his house at Kouria, which was put in proper repairs last year. His health was excellent.

The repayment of debt amounted to Rs. 300, of which Rs. 45-15-5 were paid as interest. There is a good deal of improvement in this respect. This satisfactory result is attributable to the fact that there was no occasion for any unusual expenditure, and also to better collection of rents in the year under report than in the preceding year.

(*Commissioner's remarks.*—In last year's report this estate was called Kouria (Dhanraj). The liabilities will soon be cleared off, and the management can then be relinquished. No improvements could be effected as the estate consists only of unpartitioned shares in several villages.)

HOSHANGABAD DISTRICT.

Mr. E. Gray, I. C. S., Deputy Commr.

(*a*) Babai.—[*Income Rs.* 21,577-9-10, *Liabilities Rs.* 27,507-4-9].—This estate consists of 19 whole villages, of which 11 are held by inferior proprietors and 8 are under direct management.

It was taken under management of the Court of Wards on account of the heavy indebtedness of the proprietors, Dowlat Ram, Manak Chand and Sheo Charun Lal, on the 20th January 1877.

The balance to the credit of the estate at the commencement of the year under report was Rs. 712-15-2.

The collections during the year under report were as follows :—

		Rs.	a.	p.		Rs.	a.	p.	
Rental	...	20,154	10	4	against	20,044	9	11	last year.
Interest on other loans	...	97	15	6	„	106	8	8	„
Forest ...	...	183	0	0	„	110	13	4	„
Miscellaneous	...	1,142	0	0	„	420	13	6	„
Advances adjusted	...	100	0	0	„	51	10	7	„
Debts recovered	...	...			„	57	0	0	„
Total	...	21,677	9	10	„	20,791	8	0	„

The increase under the head Forests, which includes the price of Mohwa produce, is due to the fact that it was sold as usual and not allowed to be collected by the villagers as in the previous year.

The increase under the head Miscellaneous is due to certain collections as detailed in the attached statement.

The expenses during the year under report were as follows :—

		Rs.	a.	p.		Rs.	a.	p.	
Government revenue and cesses...		10,574	13	6	against	10,581	10	9	last year.
Village servants	...	122	7	3	„	119	7	3	„
Cost of management	...	1,776	5	10	„	1,785	12	2	„
Interest on debts	...	1,997	11	6	„	1,658	5	6	„
Wards' allowance	...	1,800	0	0	„	900	0	0	„
Subscriptions	...	...			„	11	10	1	„
Miscellaneous	...	768	6	1	„	211	8	6	„
Charity expenses	...	46	13	11	„	36	8	8	„
Advances unadjusted	...	815	4	0	„	100	0	0	„
Improvements	...	299	15	8	„	...			„
Principal of debt paid	...	3,002	4	6	„	4,741	10	6	„
Total	...	20,388	13	10	„	20,146	9	5	„

An increase in the wards' allowance which occurred is due to the fact that one of the wards—Manakchand—was re-married, and a sum of Rs. 900 was paid for the expenses of the marriage.

Charitable disbursements were continued as in the previous year, and the arrangement has given general satisfaction, the object being in every way a right and proper one.

Rental demand and collections during the year under report were as follows :—

		Rs.	a.	p.		Rs.	a.	p.	
Current demand	...	19,511	11	8	against	21,607	13	8	last year.
Arrears demand	...	3,967	1	0	„	4,934	10	5	„
Total	...	23,478	12	8		26,542	8	1	„
Current collections	...	19,006	7	3	„	19,017	1	8	„
Arrears collections	...	1,146	11	1	„	1,027	8	3	„
Total	...	20,153	2	4	„	20,044	9	11	„
Current balance	...	505	4	5	„	2,590	12	0	„
Arrears balance	...	2,820	5	11	„	3,907	2	2	„
Total	...	3,325	10	4	„	6,497	14	2	„

Out of the balance of Rs. 2,820-5-11 on arrear account a sum of Rs. 934-6-0 was written off as irrecoverable, including Rs. 762-6-0 written off by the Settlement Officer of arrears due by ordinary tenants on account of excessive rents, and Rs. 172 written off by the Deputy Commissioner.

The whole of the decrease in the current demand is due to the reductions made by the Settlement Officer in the rents paid by ordinary tenants as a part of the Settlement operations.

It is satisfactory to note that the collections are better than last year. The improvement is due to the exertions of the Court of Wards officials and to better crops; a very small sum of money is in arrears for the current year. Re. 1-8-0 were collected surplus during the year; 110 maunds 13 seers and 6 chhataks of grain in stock at the commencement of the year under report were sold during the course of the year, and the sale-proceeds credited into the treasury. The tenants managed to make their own arrangements for seed grain, and no lands were lying unsown in the estate.

Six suits for arrears of rent were brought during the year under report against 10 in the previous year—All successful. Five ordinary tenants voluntarily surrendered their holdings.

Under the orders of the Chief Commissioner, conveyed in Junior Secretary's letter No. 22-S., dated the 3rd January 1891, the proprietors were given the option of taking up the fields which fell vacant during the year, and thus five fields measuring 78·67, on rental Rs. 113, were taken by them for their Khud-kasht.

A new well was sunk in the village of Kotharia, situated on the Bombay road, during the year under report, at a cost of Rs. 199-15-3 paid by the Court of Wards and Rs. 50 subscribed liberally by the mukkadam of the village, as the want of a well was very greatly felt.

Another well situated on the Bombay Road in the encamping ground was also repaired at a cost of about Rs. 140, of which Rs. 100 have been paid during the year under report.

A sum of Rs. 1,01,822-8-0 was borrowed from Raja Seth Gokuldass and Seth Dhanraj for paying off the liabilities of the estate at the time of assuming the management of the same. Of this a sum of Rs. 71,312-14-9 was paid off before the commencement of the year under report, and a sum of Rs. 3,002-4-6 was paid off during the year under report. The amount to be paid now remains Rs. 27,507-4-9. The fixed instalment of debt payable annually to the creditors could not be fully paid for want of money available for the purpose, on account of the decrease in the demand and the writing off the arrears by the Settlement Officer.

(*Commissioner's remarks.*—There has been a considerable decrease in the current demand in this estate owing to rent reductions effected by the Settlement Officer, and the full amount of the instalment fixed for repayment of the loan obtained from Raja Seth Gokuldass for the liquidation of the debts due by the proprietors could not be paid. Collections were, however, much better than in the previous year, and a small sum was expended in constructing one well and repairing another. It is evident that strict economy is necessary in the management of this estate, as the amount of debt is still large.)

(*a*) Malhanwara.—[*Income Rs.* 909-10-9, *Liabilities Rs.* 1,349-12-8].—This small estate consists of one whole village and two plots of land only.

It was taken under management on the 5th February 1879, on account of the indebtedness of the proprietors—Kanahya Lal and Kamta Pershad.

The balance to the credit of the estate at the commencement of the year under report was Rs. 47-15-9.

Collections during the year under report amounted to Rs. 909-10-9.

Expenses during the year under report amounted to Rs. 806-11-10.

Balance to the credit of the estate at the close of the year under report was Rs. 150-14-8, which is lodged in the Government Treasury.

Rental demand and collections during the year under report were as follows :—

		Rs.	a.	p.		Rs.	a.	p.	
Current demand ...	...	788	0	0	against	996	0	0	last year.
Arrears „ ...	...	483	7	3	„	746	4	9	„
Total	...	1,271	7	3	„	1,742	4	9	„
Current collections ...	...	762	12	0	„	654	6	9	„
Arrears „ ...	...	123	3	0	„	6	0	0	„
Total	...	885	15	0	„	660	6	9	„
Balance current ...	...	25	4	0	„	341	9	3	„
Balance arrears ...	...	360	4	3	„	740	4	9	„
Total	...	385	8	3	„	1,081	14	0	„

Of the balance of arrears of Rs. 360-4-3, a sum of Rs. 58-2-0 has been written off by the Settlement Officer from the arrears due by ordinary tenants, which accrued on account of excessive rent, and a sum of Rs. 54 was written off by the Deputy Commissioner as irrecoverable.

The decrease in demand is due to the fact that some fields remained unlet on account of bad soil, and that the rents of some ordinary tenants were reduced by the Settlement Officer as part of the Settlement operations.

Two suits for arrears of rent were brought during the year under report—both with successful results.

The liabilities against the estate amount to Rs. 5,542-8-0; of this a sum of Rs. 4,016-5-4 was paid off before the commencement of the year, and a sum of Rs. 176-6-0 was paid during the year under report, leaving a sum of Rs. 1,349-12-8, which is expected to be cleared off by the end of 1897. The full instalment of debt could not be paid for want of funds. None of the Court of Wards officials are to blame for this result, which is due to decrease in demand.

(*Commissioner's remarks.*—In this small estate also there have been considerable rent reductions, and much progress has not been made in liquidating the debt due, the full amount of the fixed instalment not having been paid. When the new assessment comes into force it will necessarily be more difficult to do this, but the total amount of the debt remaining unpaid is fortunately small.)

(*a*) **Guraria.**—[*Income Rs.* 3,343-15-6, *Liabilities Rs.* 29,490-10-2].—This estate consists of two whole villages only.

It was taken under management on the 15th September 1882, on account of the heavy indebtedness of the proprietors—Khuman Singh and Anup Singh.

There was a decrease in the current rental demand due to the reductions made by the Settlement Officer in the rents paid by ordinary tenants as a part of the Settlement operations.

The collections have been satisfactory; the arrears are due principally from the proprietors, who are always unwilling to pay their rents. An attempt was made to sub-let the Sir land in their possession, but as the soil is very poor, nobody would take it.

There was neither increase nor decrease in the fixed establishment.

No suits for arrears of rent were brought. No tenants surrendered their holdings.

No improvements could be effected as there was no money available for the purpose.

At the time of assuming the management of the estate, a sum of Rs. 43,469-1-8 was borrowed for paying off the liabilities; of this a sum of Rs. 31,870-4-8 was paid off before the commencement of the year, and a sum of Rs. 108-2-10 was paid off during the year under report, leaving a sum of Rs. 29,490-10-2 to be paid, which is expected to be cleared off by the end of 1909. The fixed instalment of debt was not fully paid during the year under report. The estate is very heavily indebted.

(*Commissioner's remarks.*—The position of this small estate continues to be very unsatisfactory. The Settlement Officer has had to make considerable reductions in the rents paid by ordinary tenants, and only Rs. 108-2-10 were available for repayment of the loan. It is very doubtful then whether, when the new assessment comes into force it will be possible to pay anything at all.)

(*a*) **Nipania.**—[*Income Rs.* 23,133-14-5, *Liabilities Rs.* 44,541-12-11].—This estate consists of three whole villages, one 12-annas share and one 8-annas share and 277 plots of land, some purchased and some held under deeds of mortgage for various periods. Thirty plots have been relinquished since the previous year on account of the debts for which they were in possession of the Court of Wards having been liquidated.

The estate was taken under the management of the Court of Wards on the 15th September 1885, on account of the heavy indebtedness of the proprietor—Mussamat Sipra Sithani.

There is a sum of Rs. 3,13,664-0-8, including price of grain debts calculated at Rs. 30 per mani, due to the estate. Of this a sum of Rs. 2,41,385-14-3 was decreed on the 3rd October 1890, against Seth Manikchand, who was Munim of the firm of the proprietor before the estate was taken under management. He has no property left in British territory, having removed it all to and taken up his abode in Bhopal.

There are very slender hopes of recovering anything of this large sum.

Rental demand and collections during the year under report were as follows:—

		Rs. a. p.		Rs. a. p.	
Current demand ...	...	20,257 0 6	against	25,746 0 1	last year.
Arrears „ ...	...	3,862 12 9	„	5,412 10 10	„
Total	...	24,119 13 3	„	31,158 10 11	„
Current collections ...	...	18,755 10 11	„	22,226 15 0	„
Arrears „ ...	...	1,876 4 10	„	251 14 10	„
Total	...	20,631 15 9	„	22,478 13 10	„
Current balance ...	...	1,501 5 7	„	3,519 1 1	„
Arrears „ ...	...	1,986 7 11	„	5,160 12 0	„
Total	...	3,487 13 6	„	8,679 13 1	„

Of the balance of arrears of Rs. 1,501-5-7 a sum of Rs. 68-3-7 was written off by the Settlement Officer as a part of the Settlement operations when reducing the rents paid by ordinary tenants, and a sum of Rs. 395-6-0 was written off as irrecoverable.

The decrease in demand is due to the fact that 30 plots of land were relinquished and that the value of grain in the previous year was calculated at higher rates than in the current year, as the prices have since considerably fallen.

The collections have much improved during the year as it appears that the collections for the current year and arrears are more than the current year's demand. This satisfactory result is due to the favourable crops of the year and to creditable efforts on the part of the Court of Wards officials. The arrears are not without reason, and there is no room to say that the efforts were wanting.

There were 1,802 maunds 32 seers 8 chhataks of grain in stock at the commencement of the year under report, and 10,103 maunds 11 seers 8 chhataks were collected during the year from all sources. Of all this 6,926 maunds 28 seers 6 chhataks were sold, and 1,865 maunds 3 seers 12 chhataks were advanced to tenants for seed grain, and an amount of 53 maunds 27 seers 10 chhataks which was found to have been erroneously shown on the books was written off.

During the year under report 181 manis 45 kuros 6 pailies were advanced to tenants for seed grain, the interest at 12½ per cent. on which amounted to 22 manis 35 kuros 6 pailies, and the arrears with interest on account of these loans for previous years amounted to 72 manis 17 kuros. Hence the whole of such loans to be realized during the year were 277 manis 2 kuros 4 pailies; of this 194 manis 34 kuros 4 pailies, including interest, were collected out of the current year's advance, and 54 manis 8 kuros 4 pailies including interest were collected on account of arrears.

The transactions of advancing loans at half Siwai is not profitable, but at the same time gives relief to the indebted tenants; they do not consent to commuting these debts into cash as contemplated by the Chief Commissioner in his Resolution No. 516-50, dated the 19th February 1892.

It is both satisfactory and creditable that almost the whole of the current year's advance has been collected; the arrears are in many cases doubtful of recovery.

Under the orders of the Chief Commissioner conveyed in Junior Secretary's letter No. 2127-S.-74, dated the 15th May 1891, the Settlement Officer was requested to commute khote rents into cash and reduce all those which were excessive, but before anything was done by him in this direction, the matter was referred to the Chief Commissioner. The khote rents were all commuted into cash by the Deputy Commissioner at the latter part of the year under report at Rs. 26 per mani, and in this way the rents have been reduced also, as the average current price for the last five years comes to about Rs. 31. The reduced rate has been taken on account of the excessive fall in prices during the year under report. These commutations will take effect next year, as they were made after the khote rents were collected.

The debts due to the estate at the time of assuming the management of the estate as reported in the previous year were Rs. 1,80,629-11-1; of this a sum of Rs. 80,629-11-1 was paid off from the sale-proceeds of the property of the estate, and at the same time a sum of Rs. 1,00,000 was borrowed from Raja Seth Gokuldass, now agreed to be payable by annual instalments of Rs. 13,000.

Besides this a sum of Rs. 3,413-14-8 was borrowed from the solvent estate of Fattehpur for seed-grain advances to the tenants, payable by annual instalments of Rs. 500. A sum of Rs. 2,29,125-12-7 was paid off before the commencement of the year under report, and a sum of Rs. 10,376-0-3 was paid to both the creditors during the year under report in full payment of the fixed annual instalments.

(*Commissioner's remarks.*—It has not yet been found possible to proceed against Manakchand for the large sum decreed against him, as he carefully remains in Bhopal, but satisfactory progress continues to be made in the liquidation of the debts of the estate.

The collections have been good both in respect of the current demand and of arrears.

No improvements were effected during the year, but some have now been sanctioned and will be carried out during the present year.)

(*a*) Fattehpur.—[*Income Rs.* 56,064-11-2, *Liabilities* Nil].—This estate was taken under management in the year 1872 owing to the minority of the then proprietor, Raja Randhirsingh. He died on the 31st January 1882, leaving a childless girl-widow, Rani Umed Kuar, behind him. This lady attained her majority in 1887, but she was considered incapable of managing her affairs, and the estate has continued under management since then.

This large estate is the most important in this district. It consists of 84 whole villages, of which 54 lie in this district and 30 in Narsinghpur. Of the 54 villages which lie in the Hoshangabad district 16 are held by inferior proprietors and 22 by thekadars; the terms of their tenure expire at the end of Sambat 1950, which is also the term of the present Settlement. The thekadars' terms of leases are to expire in the end of 1893-94, and the Settlement Officer is making enquiries regarding their claims to protected status. Two villages are held by muafidars, and the remaining 14 are under direct management. Of the 30 villages which lie in the Narsinghpur District 10 are held by inferior proprietors, 11 by thekadars and the remaining 9 are under direct management. The villages lying in Narsinghpur are under direct management of the Court of Wards of that district.

The balance to the credit of the estate at the commencement of the year under report was Rs. 48,479-4-3 against Rs. 56,240-2-1 in the previous year.

The Mohwa produce was sold by auction and not allowed to be collected by the tenants as in the previous year, as the kharif crops were good during the year under report. The expenditure under the head "Village Servants" includes Rs. 331-15-3, which is the pay of the gardener and coolies engaged in the garden belonging to the estate; the garden has made

considerable progress during the year under report. Seeds and grafts of different kinds to the value of Rs. 75-12-0 were supplied. It also includes Rs. 188 on account of remuneration of mukaddam gumashtas, Rs. 199-2-10 being the pay of sweepers entertained at Bankheri to clean the bazar, &c., and Rs. 88 on account of the pay of a mate kept to look after the embankment works. An increase under the head "Personal Expenses" is due to the fact that Rs. 3,500 were advanced to both the Ranis on their request for the following:—

To Rani Umed Kuar for Gangbhoj	...	Rs. 1,000
Do. do. for marriage expenses of her relatives	...	„ 500
To Rani Ratan Kuar for purchase of bullocks ...	...	„ 1,000
Do. do. for pilgrimage to Mathuraji	...	„ 1,000

The expenditure under the head "Miscellaneous" includes Rs. 310-12-8 for charity expenses. This was done under the directions of the Commissioner of the Division, conveyed in his letter No. 983, dated the 9th February 1892, with a view to relieve utterly helpless, crippled, destitute, desolate and aged persons. They were given food every day, and not money. Another item in this head is Rs. 760-1-3 for costs of suits. The takavi loans include Rs. 10,110-2-11, which is the price of seed grain purchased in both the districts (Rs. 597-14-0 in Narsinghpur and Rs. 9,512-4-11 in Hoshangabad); Rs. 9,433 were advanced in cash to tenants for purchase of plough cattle; of this Rs. 8,635 were advanced in the Narsinghpur District and Rs. 798 in the Hoshangabad District.

A Rs. 0-2-8 share in the village Pondar in the Narsinghpur District, owned by the inferior proprietor, Asaram, was purchased for Rs. 418 by the Court of Wards for the estate; Rs. 8,781-15-5 were spent in improvements during the year under report, against Rs. 8,013-8-5 in the previous year. The balance to the credit of the estate at the close of the year under report in both the districts was Rs. 28,415-7-7 against Rs. 48,479-4-3 in the previous year: Rs. 11,174-3-7 in the Narsinghpur Treasury and Rs. 16,631-3-11 in the Hoshangabad Treasury and Rs. 610-0-1 in the hands of the Assistant Manager.

Rental demand and collections in both the districts during the year under report were as follows:—

		Rs.	a.	p.		Rs.	a.	p.	
Current demand ...	...	48,708	11	6	against	48,714	7	1	last year.
Arrears „ ...	...	8,214	15	3	„	7,022	3	11	„
Total	...	56,923	10	9	„	55,736	11	0	„
Current collection ...	...	45,056	4	1	„	43,975	5	0	„
Arrears „ ...	...	3,991	11	7	„	2,089	6	4	„
Total	...	49,047	15	8	„	46,064	11	4	„
Current balance ...	...	3,652	7	5	„	4,739	2	1	„
Arrears „ ...	...	4,223	3	8	„	4,932	13	7	„
Total	...	7,875	11	1	„	9,671	15	8	„

The rental demand remained the same as in the previous year.

Out of the balance on arrears account of Rs. 4,223-3-8 a sum of Rs. 169-14-11, composed of Rs. 126-14-11 in the Narsinghpur District and Rs. 43 in Hoshangabad, was written off as irrecoverable during the year under report. There thus remains an actual amount of recoverable and doubtful arrears on arrear account in the Hoshangabad District of Rs. 3,805-14-9, and in the Narsinghpur District of Rs. 247-6-0.

Of the outstanding arrears—Rs. 3,805-14-9 on arrear account in the Hoshangabad District—sums of Rs. 941-6-0, Rs. 325-8-0, Rs. 1,372-12-0, Rs. 582-13-9 and Rs. 323-2-0 are due from the inferior proprietors of Bankheri, Somkhera, Machhera, Khiria and Khamkheri respectively, for which in some cases decrees have been obtained and execution taken out; and a sum of Rs. 440-5-0 only remains due from tenants. These arrears are all recoverable, but Rs. 217-4-6, which will be reported with a view to being struck off.

On the whole the collections are fairly good. In the Narsinghpur District only a sum of Rs. 247-6-0 is in arrears, a result which is distinctly satisfactory. Of the balance on current account of Rs. 3,195-12-7 in the Hoshangabad District, a sum of Rs. 2,374-15-0 is due from the inferior proprietors and the thekadars of the villages of Umardha, Kotri, Somkhera, Koskarpa, Machera and Khamkheri. All these persons have heavily run into debt; their creditors have sued them and as soon as they take out execution and the property is sold, the arrears due to the Court of Wards will be recovered, and only a sum of Rs. 820-13-7 is due from tenants. In the Narsinghpur District only a sum of Rs. 456-10-10 is in arrears on current account, and it needs no explanation as the result is very satisfactory.

Seed grain, 909 manis 11 kuros, of the value of Rs. 9,512-4-11, was purchased during the year under report in the Hoshangabad District; of which 442 manis 15 kuros were advanced to the tenants of Fattehpur; 295 manis 15 kuros were advanced to the tenants of Behrakheri, and the remaining 171 manis 5 kuros to the tenants of the Ganera estate.

At the commencement of the year under report the mahajans declined to advance seed grain to the tenants of Behrakheri and the Ganera estate. This difficulty was brought to the notice of the higher authorities, and under the orders of the Chief Commissioner, conveyed in Revenue Secretary's letter No. 6703, dated the 9th September 1892, the grain was purchased with a loan from the solvent estate of Fattehpur, and advanced to tenants.

In the Narsinghpur District there are grain stores at three places, *viz.*, Kursipar, Shokalpur and Amada. From these stores the tenants of the estate who are in need of seed are supplied. The seed is advanced at half Siwai. Almost all the advances were recovered at the harvest time during the year under report. The stock was increased by purchasing 202 maunds and 10 seers, and by the addition of the Badhi which was collected on the last year's advance.

Seven suits for arrears of rent were successfully brought during the year under report in the Hoshangabad District and 30 in the Narsinghpur District against 10 in the previous year. An absolute occupancy tenant in the Narsinghpur District surrendered his holding during the year under report.

The construction of the Rani's palace has been going on during the year under report under her own supervision. It is now almost finished. Tiling remains to be done, and for this Allahabad tiles will be sent from Pachmarhi.

The repairs of the wells which have been done were necessary, as the parapet walls were not sufficiently large to obviate danger. The new wells which have been commenced and partly finished have given much relief to the villagers and their cattle, and the expenditure is in a proper direction.

An endeavour has been made to obtain the services of an Overseer to supervise the works of improvement going on in the estate, but without success. It was found that the petty works done by the contractors were not all satisfactory and durable.

The work of embanking fields was carried on throughout the year by the regular party of coolies appointed for the purpose. The fields for embankments were selected after careful inspection of the soil and in consultation with the Revenue Inspectors, patwaris and the tenants. The total expenditure on these during the year under report was Rs. 727-5-3, against Rs. 375-8-6 in the previous year.

In the Narsinghpur District the work of laying out a new garden was started at Kursipar with a double object, *viz.*, the benefit of the ward and setting an example to other people. The old site, where there was a small bagicha, is being used for this work. Sir lands which are in the possession of the ward were embanked, as the holding was deteriorating. The work is not yet complete. It will be continued during the current year. A pakka water channel for the Kursipar tank was constructed. This work is nearly completed. This year a small holding, which has come into the hands of the Court of Wards under the operation of the law, has been kept under khudkasht. This was done partly to meet the wishes of the Administration and partly to give some work to the bullocks and servants of the Estate.

Arrangements for the management of the estate in the Narsinghpur district remained the same as before, but as the work has now increased, owing to grain transactions and khudkasht business, it becomes necessary at harvesting times to sanction additional hands.

(*Commissioner's remarks.*—In my remarks on last year's report regarding this estate I mentioned that the two Ranis were quarrelling with each other, and that it would consequently be unsafe to give up the management of the estate, though both the Ranis and also the other members of the family were anxious that this should be done. During the year under review this quarrelling reached an acute stage, and the Deputy Commissioner had to intervene to prevent the junior Rani, Umed Kuar, being personally insulted and placed under restraint at the instance of the elder Rani, Ruttun Kuar. Subsequently Rani Ruttun Kuar went on a pilgrimage, and since then there has been peace in the family, but there can be no doubt that violent dissensions would again break out if the restraining hand of the Deputy Commissioner as Court of Wards were removed.

The estate has again been well managed. The tenants have been treated with liberality, but the rents have been nearly fully collected, only Rs. 440-5-0 being due by tenants, the remaining and greater part of the arrears being due by inferior proprietors. The grain advances have also been recovered nearly in full.

A sum of Rs. 8,781-15-5 has been expended in various improvements. Rani Umed Kuar has continued to supervise the additions and alterations to the Palace and the other works in the town of Fattehpur, and to do this efficiently a considerable sum has been spent on embanking fields, and several wells have been constructed and repaired. The Rani is also anxious to see a dispensary established in the estate, and the Civil Surgeon, who has lately visited Fattehpur at my suggestion, has ascertained that she and all the other members of the family are anxious that it should be located at Bankheri on the Great Indian Peninsula Railway. This the Civil Surgeon himself also considers to be the best place for it. Fattehpur itself is in a corner of the district and partially surrounded with hills and forests, while Bankheri is in the middle of the richest and best-populated part of the estate, so that he believes that a dispensary there could not fail to be of very great use to the people.

(*a*). Ganera.—[*Income Rs.* 9,992-11-0, *Liabilities Rs.* 74,889-0-3].—This estate consists of five whole villages and 26 plots of land held under deeds of mortgage for various periods.

It was taken under management on 5th September 1890 on account of the heavy indebtedness of the proprietors Diwan Lachhman Pershad and Hira Lal with the sanction of the Chief Commissioner conveyed in Junior Secretary's letter No. 2193-S, dated the 6th June 1890.

The balance to the credit of the estate at the commencement of the year under report was Rs. 181-14-10.

Balance to the credit of the estate at the close of the year under report was Rs. 563-14-2 which is lodged in the Government Treasury.

Rental demand and collections during the year under report were as follows:—

		Rs.	a.	p.		Rs.	a.	p.	
Current demand	...	10,092	1	11	against	10,932	6	3	last year.
Arrears „	...	1,894	10	11	„	1,750	13	6	„
Total	...	11,986	12	10	„	12,683	3	9	„
Current collections	...	9,134	0	10	„	9,724	9	6	„
Arrears „	...	580	1	6	„	280	7	3	„
Total	...	9,714	2	4	„	10,005	0	9	„
Current balance	...	958	1	1	„	1,207	12	9	„
Arrears „	...	1,314	9	5	„	1,470	6	3	„
Total	...	2,272	10	6	„	2,678	3	0	„

The decrease in current demand is due to the fact that the rents paid by ordinary tenants were reduced by the Settlement Officer during the year under report, and that the Khote rents were commuted to cash and reduced.

No fields remained uncultivated for want of seed-grain, as the poorer tenants were given seed-grain advances from the solvent estate of Fattehpur with the special sanction of the Chief Commissioner conveyed in Revenue Secretary's letter No. 6703, dated the 9th September 1892.

On account of the heavy indebtedness of the estate, the allowance of the Assistant Manager, Rs. 5 per mensem, and a chaprasi on Rs. 5 per mensem, have been reduced from August 1893.

Five suits for arrears of rent were brought during the year under report. Four were wholly and one partially successful.

Khote rent paid by five tenants holding an area of 93·27 acres was commuted to cash during the year under report.

No improvements could be effected during the year under report for want of funds.

A sum of Rs. 76,700 was borrowed from Raja Seth Gokul Dass for paying off the debts due by the estate, and an instalment bond for Rs. 1,750 in favour of Musst. Rukman and Pancho was allowed to remain as it was before payable by annual instalments of Rs. 250.

The exact position of the estate, after considering the new assessment shown by the Settlement Officer, has been laid before the Chief Commissioner in this office letter No. 4878-209, dated the 3rd August 1893, for his final orders which are awaited. The fixed instalment of debt could not be fully paid, but looking to the collections none of the Court of Wards' officials can be blamed.

(*Commissioner's remarks.*—The position of this estate continues to be extremely unsatisfactory, and a special report was made on the subject during the year.)

(*a*). Behrakheri.—[*Income Rs.* 14,747-0-11, *Liabilities Rs.* 1,23,014-11-0.)—This estate consists of six whole villages, one 12 annas share in a village, and 12 absolute occupancy holdings in different villages and six plots mortgaged for various periods.

Five of these villages and the 12 annas share lie in the Hoshangabad district, and are under direct management, and one lies in the Betul District.

The latter is held by the proprietors on a lease in consideration of an advance of Rs. 1,400, the term of which expires in 1894. The proprietors have been given this village for their maintenance, and it is under their own management.

They have some other debts against the proprietor of the village in the Betul district, and they have recently been given permission to bring a suit for foreclosure of the mortgage on behalf of the Court of Wards. The costs will be borne by them as the Court of Wards cannot spare any money.

This estate was taken under management on account of the heavy indebtedness of the proprietors, Maharaj Singh and Dulichand with the sanction of the Chief Commissioner conveyed in Junior Secretary's letter No. 659-S, dated the 28th January 1891.

A sum of Rs. 35,829-1-8, including the value of grain debts, was due to the estate at the close of the year under report. These debts chiefly consist of old debts, comprising mortgage money of absolute occupancy and occupancy holdings.

In almost every case the value of the mortgaged property is far below the mortgage money.

Suits for foreclosure have been successfully brought, and decrees have been obtained and possession of the holdings taken.'

Simple bonds in which no property is hypothecated mostly consist of bad debts and are being written off gradually as the period of limitation draws near.

The balance to the credit of the estate at the commencement of the year under report was Rs. 350-9-0.

Balance to the credit of the estate at the close of the year under report was Rs. 353-12-5, of which Rs. 280-9-9 are lodged in the Government Treasury and Rs. 73-2-8 in the hands of the Assistant Manager.

Rental demand and collections during the year under report were as follows :—

		Rs.	a.	p.		Rs.	a.	p.	
Current demand	...	14,431	6	6	against	16,354	12	0	last year.
Arrears ,,	...	4,913	6	3	,,	1,943	15	3	,,
Total	...	19,344	12	9	,,	18,298	11	3	,,
Current collections	...	13,237	10	9	,,	12,371	5	5	,,
Arrears ,,	...	1,304	6	4	,,	28	15	0	,,
Total	...	14,542	1	1	,,	12,400	4	5	,,
Current balance	...	1,193	11	9	,,	3,987	4	9	,,
Arrears ,,	...	3,608	15	11	,,	1,915	0	3	,,
Total	...	4,802	11	8	,,	5,902	5	0	,,

Of the balance of arrears of Rs. 3,608-15-11 a sum of Rs. 903-10-1 has been written off as irrecoverable.

The decrease in demand is due to the fact that the reduction of high Khote rents which were commuted to cash and reduced in the previous year took effect during the current year.

The Sir land continued with the proprietors as noted in the previous year, and they have paid almost wholly the rents due from them. Great difficulty was experienced in providing seed-grain for the tenants, and consequently grain of the value of Rs. 4,574-12-8 was advanced to them from the Fattehpur solvent estate with the special sanction of the Chief Commissioner conveyed in Revenue Secretary's letter No. 6703, dated the 9th September 1892, and besides these advances a sum of Rs. 1,869-4-0 had to be advanced to them under the Agriculturists Loans Act. It is creditable to the Court of Wards' officials that the whole of the loans made by the Fattehpur estate, with interest, and those made under the Agriculturists Loans Act, were collected.

The land, about 200 acres, which was lying uncultivated for some years has been leased out during the year under report, rent-free in the first year, half rent 2nd year, and full rent, Rs. 2 per acre, in the 3rd year, as it requires capital and good plough-bullocks to bring it again under cultivation.

The rental demand has been falling every year and the condition of the estate is not good, and will be reported exactly after the new assessments have been announced.

All the Khote rents have now been commuted to cash during the latter part of the year, and the commutation will take effect in the ensuing year.

Repairs of a well were sanctioned during the year, but could not be carried out.

When the estate was taken under the management of the Court of Wards, the liabilities amounted to Rs. 1,19,294-14-10 cash and 2,696 mds. 28 seers 6 chhataks of grain. Of these the whole of the grain debts were paid off from the estate receipts as reported

in the previous year, and a sum of Rs. 1,20,000 was borrowed from Raja Seth Gokul Dass, payable by annual instalments of Rs. 8,000. A sum of Rs. 3,366-2-0 was further found to be due by the estate to other creditors. Of this an instalment bond for Rs. 1,183-0-0 was executed in the previous year, and an instalment bond for Rs. 1,805-7-0 has been executed during the year, payable by annual instalments of Rs. 500-0-0. The instalment of debt payable to the creditors could not be fully paid during the year, but no fault lies with the Court of Wards.

(*Commissioner's remarks.*—The position of this estate is as unsatisfactory as that of Ganera, and a special report regarding it is promised by the Deputy Commissioner.)

Issurpur.—[*Income Rs.* 5,238-8-7, *Liabilities Rs.* 10,866-9-3].—This small estate consists of two whole villages and one plot of land. It was taken under management of the Court of Wards on the 5th November 1890, owing to the indebtedness of the proprietors Maharaj Singh, Prag Singh and others, with the sanction of the Chief Commissioner conveyed in Junior Secretary's letter No. 4573, dated the 6th November 1890. Maharaj Singh died during the year under report, and in his place Prag Singh and others were recorded proprietors.

Balance to the credit of the estate at the commencement of the year under report was Rs. 1,015-2-7.

Great difficulty was experienced last year in supplying seed-grain to the tenants who were quite unable to obtain the same from elsewhere, and as there was money to the credit of the estate and grain was very cheap, 65 *manis* grain were purchased and stored in the estate in the custody of the proprietors for the purpose.

The balance to the credit of the estate at the close of the year under report was Rs. 660-4-10, of which Rs. 511-6-10 is lodged in the Government Treasury, and Rs. 148-14-0, which were in the hands of the Assistant Manager, have subsequently been credited into the treasury since the close of the year.

Rental demand and collections during the year under report were as follows:—

		Rs.	a.	p.		Rs.	a.	p.	
Current demand	...	5,283	0	2	against	5,594	8	2	last year.
Arrears „	...	1,786	10	10	„	1,351	7	0	„
Total	...	7,069	11	0	„	6,945	15	2	„
Current collections	...	4,325	4	8	„	4,310	13	6	„
Arrears „	...	730	14	6	„	848	6	10	„
Total	...	5,056	3	2	„	5,159	4	4	„
Current balance	...	958	11	6	„	1,283	10	8	„
Arrears „	...	1,055	12	4	„	503	0	2	„
Total	...	2,014	7	10	„	1,786	10	10	„

Of the balance of arrears of Rs. 1,055-12-4 a sum of Rs. 398-8-0 has been written off as irrecoverable. One rupee has been collected surplus.

The decrease in the demand is due to the fact that two mortgaged plots in the estate were relinquished on satisfaction of the mortgaged debts. The collections are the same as in the previous year.

No improvements could be made during the year under report.

The liabilities when the estate was brought under managementamounted to Rs. 14,696-12-6, of which a sum of Rs. 2,451-0-6 was paid off before the commencement of the year, and a sum of Rs. 1,379-2-9 has been paid off during the year under report, leaving a balance of Rs. 10,866-9-3, which is expected to be cleared off by the end of 1900 A. D.

(*Commissioner's remarks.*—Nothing has been said in this report as to the arrears due by the proprietors to which reference was made in last year's report, and the arrear balance is very heavy. The attention of the Deputy Commissioner has been drawn to this point.)

(*a*) Sobhapur.—[*Income Rs.* 45,163-3-5, *Liabilities Rs.* 31,049-4-0].—This large estate consists of 71 whole villages and one eight annas share in a village.

Of these 46 are held by inferior proprietors; 12 are held by thekadars whose term of lease is to expire with the term of the current settlement, *i. e.*, in the end of Sambat 1950, one is held by a muafidar of the estate, who pays only Government revenue and enjoys the income, one held by an inferior proprietor, has been made over by him to the estate till the end of Sambat 1950 in liquidation of debt, and the remaining 11½ villages are under direct management.

The thekadars have been holding these villages since the commencement of the current settlement. Their rights are being considered by the Settlement Officer as the settlement operations are in progress in the district.

The thekadars have especially agreed in the wajib-ul-arz of their respective villages that they will have no concern with them after the expiry of the term.

The estate was taken under management on the 22nd November 1890 with the sanction of the Chief Commissioner conveyed in Junior Secretary's letter No. 3805, dated the 20th September 1890, owing to the minority of the proprietor, Raja Umrao Shah. He is under the guardianship of his widowed mother, Rani Ganesh Kuar. He is now 9 years of age and attends the Hindi village school at Sobhapur, which a boy in his position would not ordinarily do, but this lad having under the injudicious treatment of his mother, developed a tendency to shyness and to effiminate habits, it was thought advisable to keep him amongst companions. He has now improved and been lately permitted to learn at home with a private tutor, for whose appointment from the Court of Wards a report will shortly be made for the sanction of the Chief Commissioner. He has been enjoying good health throughout the year under the careful treatment of the Hospital Assistant, Sohagpur, who visits him twice a month.

The minor Raja's guardian has recently been given permission to betroth him in a family equal in position and rank to his own.

The balance to the credit of the estate at the commencement of the year under report was Rs. 5,547-15-10.

The balance to the credit of the estate at the close of the year under report was Rs. 4,896-8-9, of which Rs. 4,131-6-1 is lodged in the Government Treasury and the remaining Rs. 265-2-8 are in the hands of the Assistant Manager.

The miscellaneous income Rs. 1,993-9-3 includes Rs. 1,382-5-9, which are collections from the bazaar dues levied according to the wajib-ul-arz—a large weekly bazaar being held on every Saturday in Sobhapur. On consideration of the income derived from this source, the Court of Wards has undertaken the sanitary arrangements of the village.

Rental demand and collections during the year under report were as follows:—

		Rs.	a.	p.		Rs.	a.	p.	
Current demand	...	43,128	9	5	against	43,249	11	9	last year.
Arrears „	..	1,054	15	0	„	1,294	7	10	„
Total	...	44,183	8	5	„	44,544	3	7	„
Current collections	...	42,374	0	11	„	42,617	1	3	„
Arrears „	...	237	7	7	„	205	15	6	„
Total	...	42,611	8	6	„	42,823	0	9	„
Current balance	...	920	14	2	„	633	9	1	„
Arrears „	...	817	7	5	„	1,088	8	4	„
Total	...	1,738	5	7	„	1,722	1	5	„

Of the balance on arrears account of Rs. 817-7-5, a sum of Rs. 315-1-7 has been written off as irrecoverable; a sum of Rs. 166-5-8 has been collected surplus. The collections are very satisfactory.

There is no seed-grain in stock in charge of the Court of Wards, the whole of it has been made over to the proprietor, who advances it to tenants recommended by the Court of Wards.

Five wells as shown in the statement have been repaired, and a sum of Rs. 1,299-8-0 was given to the Rani for the repairs of her family house at Sobhapur, which she has carried out very nicely under the supervision of the Court of Wards officials.

The liabilities against the estate at the time of assumption of management by the Court of Wards amounted to Rs. 54,825-0-9, but a sum of Rs. 57,000 was borrowed from Raja Seth Gokul Dass, of this a sum of Rs. 73,101-7-6 was paid off before the commencement of the year under report and a sum of Rs. 7,674-5-3 was paid off during the year under report.

(*Commissioner's remarks.*—Satisfactory progress has been made in clearing off the debts due by this estate during the year, and in another 4 or 5 years it will probably be quite free of debt. Collections have been good, the amount of arrears being very small. A sum of Rs. 2,884 has been spent in improvements, but none of these were agricultural improvements. This is a matter which will receive attention during the present year. It would seem in every way desirable that the embanking of fields should be taken in hand here as in Fattehpur.)

(*a*) Chhater.—[*Assumed during the year*].—This estate, comprising the Chhater Jagir, is owned by Raja Pahladshah, the minor adopted son of the late Raja Durjan Singh. It was taken under the management of the Court of Wards on account of the minority of Raja Pahladshah, with Chief Commissioner's sanction conveyed in Revenue Secretary's letter No. 1180, dated the 7th March 1893. It was first placed under the management of the Collector on the 8th January 1893, as there was fear of the property running to waste under the Raja's kamdars, pending receipt of the Chief Commissioner's sanction for taking it under the Court of Wards.

The idea of the assumption of the management of this estate, with a view of saving it from the effects of its heavy indebtedness and long mismanagement, has been in contemplation for a long time, having been entertained even in the life-time of the late Raja Durjan Singh. There was considerable opposition to this, and that is the reason of delay, and the management is to the present time very much disliked by the surrounding families, who all consider they have an interest in the property.

The minor Raja is 9 years of age, and his adoptive mother Rani Prag Moti is his guardian. He has studied Hindi up to the Hindi 4th class, and a tutor, knowing English, has recently been appointed to teach him.

The estate consists of 57 whole villages, of which 48 lie in the Hoshangabad and 9 in the Narsinghpur District. The management of those lying in the Narsinghpur District has, with the approval of the Chief Commissioner, been kept in the hands of the Court of Wards of this district for the sake of avoiding the entertainment of more moharirs and lessening the cost of management.

The portion of the estate lying in Narsinghpur comprises 3 villages held by inferior proprietors and 6 villages held by Thekadars, and there will, therefore, be no difficulty in management of them by the Court of Wards of this district; and there are 12 Jagir villages and 12 villages held by inferior proprietors and 18 villages held by thekadars and the remaining 5 villages are held under direct management and one is *muafi damami*. There are no debts of any kind due to the estate.

The balance to the credit of the estate at the close of the year under report was Rs. 1,740-5-5, of which a sum of Rs. 1,360-1-8 is lodged in the Government Treasury and the remaining sum of Rs. 380-3-9 was in the hands of the Assistant Manager, which has subsequently been credited into the Treasury.

There is a distillery in the Estate with a liquor shop and an opium and ganja shop. The farm of the distillery and the liquor shop has been given out for Rs. 130-0-0, and the monopoly of selling opium and ganja has been given out for Rs. 44 for a year. The head-quarters of the estate has been fixed in the village of Dohalwara, which is two miles from the railway station of Bankheri.

Rental demand and collections during the year, from the assumption of management, were as follows :—

		Rs.	a.	p.
Current demand ...	...	20,730	13	9
Arrears „ ...	...	2	8	0
Total	...	20,733	5	9
Current collections ...	...	17,008	11	4
Arrears „ ...	...	2	8	0
Total	...	17,011	3	4
Current balance ...	...	3,733	2	5
Arrears „ ...	...	.....		
Total	...	3,733	2	5

Besides the current demand there is a sum of Rs. 4,697-0-3 more which makes up the demand for the whole year, but as the management of the estate was taken in the latter part of the year, this sum had already been collected by the Raja's kamdars and his creditors, with whom the villages of Nibhora, Dangarahi and Gardha were mortgaged with possession in lieu of the interest due to them. The Raja's kamdars had collected some money in advance also.

There are many villages held by thekadars, the terms of many of which had already expired, and no action was taken by the Raja's kamdars. A detailed report of all these cases was made to the Commissioner, and with his sanction, the leases were renewed up to Sambat 1950, expiring with the term of the current settlement, when their rights to further renewal will be decided after careful consideration of their claims. This matter has the Deputy Commissioner's special attention.

The liabilities at the time of assuming the management of the estate were Rs. 59,100, but a sum of Rs. 56,100 was borrowed from Raja Seth Gokul Dass payable by annual instalments of Rs. 7,000 in 14 years, and distributed to creditors, and a sum of Rs. 3,000 was paid from the receipts of the estate.

(Commissioner's remarks.—This estate has only recently been taken under management, and nothing has yet been done in the way of improvements, &c.)

NIMAR DISTRICT.

(*a*). Onkar Mandhata.—[*Income Rs.* 32,888-3-0, *Liabilities* Nil].—The Raja's re-marriage was celebrated in February last, owing to the death of the young consort which was mentioned in last year's report. The marriage expenses came to more than the sanctioned sum of Rs. 5,000, but the Deputy Commissioner ordered that the net excess of about Rs. 500 should be met by the Ranis from their private purse, as they were permitted to appropriate wedding gifts and presents. Mr. B. Robertson, I.C.S., Offg. Deputy Commr.

The Raja's health was excellent during the year. The Deputy Commissioner saw him on several occasions and was struck with his frank and pleasant manner.

In school the Raja is making fair progress, as will appear from the following note received from the Principal of the College at Indore :—

> "Yeshvant Singh, Raja of Mandhata, has been regular in attendance during the last year, he has made fair progress in his studies, and his conduct has been unexceptionable."

The Ranis are still anxious to have the boy back at Mandhata.

The ghât case brought by Bhagwatgir against the estate was thrown out by the Civil Court. The plaintiff did not appeal against the decree. He is now trying to get relief by petitioning the executive authorities.

Out of the three elephants in the estate stable, one proved vicious. He killed 3 persons, and the estate had to pay Rs. 300 damages on this account. He was fortunately got rid of by sale. The other elephant which had been under treatment in the Commissariat sheds at Mhow is now all right. One elephant died during the year. No valuable presents to the god were received during the year beyond a golden crown valued at Rs. 400. The *mela* passed off without a hitch and was free from cholera.

The audit of the estate accounts by the Examiner of Local Fund Accounts revealed an unsatisfactory state of things existing in the Manager's office. An enquiry, held under the orders of the Deputy Commissioner, led to the dismissal of two moharrirs and a severe warning to the Manager. Since then matters have gone on better.

There is a slight falling off in receipts under rents and forests, but there has been considerable increase in the receipts under the head "Miscellaneous"; the figures for the two years being—

	Rs.	a.	p.
1891-92	25,789	13	1
1892-93	30,297	6	11
	+4,507	9	10

The increase has occurred under the following minor heads :—

	1891-92.			1892-93.			Increase.		
	Rs.	a.	p.	Rs.	a.	p.	Rs.	a.	p.
Offerings to the shrine ...	13,441	11	10	16,926	11	7	3,484	15	9
Sale proceeds of cocoanuts...	824	9	3	1,209	15	2	385	5	11
Poll-tax ...	2,036	12	5	2,543	11	11	506	15	6
Joint income ...	229	5	8	481	14	7	252	8	11
Jamal ...	787	8	0	1,802	12	0	215	4	0

The above figures need no comment, as this source of income is in its nature fluctuating.

There is a slight improvement in recovery of debts, there being an increase of Rs. 230-5-5.

The total receipts of the year, including the opening balance of Rs. 6,479-11-7, were Rs. 40,647-1-0 against Rs. 36,427-13-11 during the previous year.

Rupees 193-14-4 were paid on account of Government revenue and cesses against Rs. 213-10-4 in the previous year. The decrease is owing to the fact that the Estate does not pay revenue and cesses directly to Government, as it is a share-holder in certain villages, and settles accounts with the Lambardar at times.

Personal expenses show an increase, as the Raja's marriage expenses have been debited to this head.

A tutor was entertained for the Raja on Rs. 50 per mensem, and a monthly contribution of Rs. 8-5-4 towards his pension.

The total expenditure has fallen from Rs. 29,948-2-4 to Rs. 29,574-5-6, and the year closed with a working balance of Rs. 11,072-11-6 against Rs. 6,479-11-7.

The estate management thus shows financial improvement.

The demand figures are :—

	Current.			Arrears.			Total.		
	Rs.	a.	p.	Rs.	a.	p.	Rs.	a.	p.
1891-92 ...	2,050	11	3	246	13	11	2,297	9	2
1892-93 ...	2,192	9	4	155	7	6	2,348	0	10

Out of this demand the collections have been :—

	Current.			Arrears.			Total.		
	Rs.	a.	p.	Rs.	a.	p	Rs.	a.	p.
1891-92 ...	2,014	14	6	127	7	8	2,142	6	2
1892-93 ...	2,069	12	7	27	4	0	2,097	0	7

Though the demand was slightly larger, the collections show a small decrease on the previous year, and the recoverable balance has consequently risen from Rs. 157-4-0 to Rs. 251-0-3. The reason is that the tenant in Kankaria in the Hoshangabad District has again not paid the full demand. Another reason is that the tenants of plots situated in mauzahs Gajria and Ghosh in Scindia's territory are habitual defaulters.

Nothing was done by way of improvement during the year. Now that the Civil case has been decided in favour of the estate, the ghât work which had been suspended will be completed.

The Chief Commissioner's views on the subject of improvements published in the resolution on last year's Court of Wards administration have been noted, but from the nature of the estate it is not easy to suggest improvements.

On the occasion of his visit in September last, the Deputy Commissioner found that the large serai at Godarpura on the south bank of the Norbudda, facing Mandhata, had been occupied by the Police out-post, the school and the Bench of Honorary Magistrates. The serai was repaired a year or two ago at the expense of the estate, and is now an excellent building. The people naturally complained of its being diverted from its proper use, and the Deputy Commissioner has now ordered it to be vacated.

A new building suitably situated has been selected for the out-post. The serai will now be available for pilgrims, who were formerly at the mercy of the Dundariya touts, and had to submit to the exorbitant charges of the Banias for food and lodgings.

(*Commissioner's remarks.*— There is no scope for effecting improvements in this estate, except in the matter of constructing buildings and ghâts. Application will shortly be made for sanction to complete one of the principal ghâts, work on which was commenced some time ago.)

(*a*) **Dhertalai.**—[*Income Rs.* 3,112-11-5, *Liabilities Rs.* 10,180-7-3].—The year commenced with an opening balance of Rs. 155-5-10 against Rs. 318-9-10 in the previous year. But receipts during the year under report have been greater than those during the year 1891-92. Forests, as remarked in the last year's report, grew into a valuable property after being conserved in the past, and fellings brought an income of Rs. 2,035-14-0. This enabled Rs. 1,500 to be paid instead of the usual instalment of Rs. 1,000 towards the liquidation of the estate debts. Receipts under Rents and Sir have fallen. Miscellaneous receipts are usual. The nominal decrease of Rs. 300 corresponds with the decrease on the expenditure side under the same head. Last year a temporary loan of Rs. 300 was received from the Mandhatta Estate and repaid.

The current demand has gone down from Rs. 1,494-12-0 to Rs. 1,394-4-0, the reason being that Mauzah Melchuka which was held on theka jama of Rs. 100 is now directly managed. The lessee was unwilling to renew his lease as he found it a losing concern.

Out of the current demand Rs. 940-2-0 only have been realized. Collections on account of arrears are still worse. The harvest in this tract was not good, produce was small, and the tenants did not get more than what was required for their maintenance. They were not, therefore, pressed hard for payment of rents. The balance to be collected is thus large, Rs. 749-10-0. It is hoped that a large portion of this will be realized in January next. The Deputy Commissioner has asked the Tahsildar of Burhanpur to personally visit this outlying part of his charge, and see what can be really expected of the Korkus who form the bulk of the tenants. As has been noted above, they cannot be pressed hard, as they would then desert their holdings and render the arrears more irrecoverable than ever.

Satisfactory progress has been made in repayment of the loan from Rajah Gokul Dass. Rs. 803-4-3 out of the Rs. 1,500 paid during the year, against Rs. 319-14-3 in the previous year was on account of principal, the balance for liquidation being thus reduced to Rs. 10,130-7-3.

According to the schedule of repayment, accompanying the mortgage bond, the balance should have been Rs. 10,583-12-0. Better progress has thus been made than was expected in clearing off the debt due by the estate. At the same time it must be admitted that this was possible only by having recourse to selling forest produce. Without this, the year's results owing to the very bad collections of revenue would have been the reverse of good. Within the course of the next 10 years it is hoped that the Ryotwari settlement now beginning in the Samardeo tract may have extended up the Tapti valley to Manjhrode. If these hopes are fulfilled an extention of cultivation will take place in some of the villages of Dhertalai. The land is good and was once highly cultivated, as may be learnt from Captain Forsyth's Settlement Report, paragraphs 161 and 386. If it can be reclaimed within the next 10 or 15 years, the estate will become solvent at a bound.

(*Commissioner's remarks.*—This estate is very heavily indebted, and owing to bad harvests the arrears are heavy. It was not then possible to attempt any improvements.)

BETUL DISTRICT.

C. W. VERTUE, Deputy Commr.

(*a*) Kolgaon.—[*Income Rs.* 1,604-13-10, *Liabilities* Nil].—This estate has been under the management of the Court of Wards during the last 7 years on account of the minority of the proprietors. The proprietors are 3 minors, *viz.*, Kishan Rao, Vaikunth Rao and Dasrath Rao, aged 17, 15 and 13 years, respectively. They live at Betul with their mother. They have made very little progress in their studies. The first two are married.

The house of the family in which they live was repaired at a cost of Rs. 154-3-7 during the year under report.

Demand for 1892-93 :—

		Current.			Arrears.		
		Rs.	a.	p.	Rs.	a.	p.
Demand	...	1,063	8	6	71	3	10
Collection	...	973	1	7	23	9	5
Balance	..	90	6	11	47	10	5

The balance is due to the bad harvest which was partly caused by rust. The recoverable balance will be collected at the next harvest.

Seed advances were given to *asamis* of the estate to the extent of 179 maunds and 13 seers.

There is a school at Kolgaon which is supported from the Estate funds. The building was repaired at a cost of Rs. 109-6-6. The result of the grant-in-aid examination was most satisfactory.

All the three villages have a good water-supply, and it is sufficient to meet the requirements of the villagers. The wells at Betul will be repaired in 1893-94.

(*Commissioner's remarks.*—This is a small estate and is just solvent, and there is not much available for improvements. The school is in good order, and the estate generally appears to have been fairly well managed.)

(*a*) Kheri.—[*Income Rs.* 1,608-6-10, *Liabilities Rs.* 968-11-0].—This estate consists of two-and-a-half villages in the Betul Tahsil. It was taken under the management of the Court of Wards owing to the minority of the proprietor Narain Rao. He is now 5 years old. He enjoyed good health throughout the year under report. He attends the village school at Kheri. He is not a bright boy, but may improve if sent away, when of suitable age, to some large school.

The demand for the year was :—

	Current.			Arrears.		
	Rs	a.	p.	Rs.	a.	p.
Demand ...	691	7	6	15	0	6
Collections ...	659	7	6	5	8	0
Balance ...	32	0	0	9	8	6

Rent collection was most satisfactory in this estate, as the demand has been collected nearly in full.

Seed grain advances were given to the *asamis* of the estate on the usual rate of interest.

The repairs remaining to be done to the house of the family were carried out during the year under report at a cost of Rs. 343-1-3, and the other works of improvements were carried out as detailed in Statement VIII attached, at a total cost of Rs. 622-1-5.

There is a good school at Kheri, and it is supported from the funds of the estate, and a large number of boys attend it from all the adjacent villages. During the year it earned a grant of Rs. 100, a great improvement on the preceding year.

The garden at Kheri is one of the best under the Court of Wards. It contains a good stock of flower and fruit trees of different kinds, and it is a great boon to the villagers to get all sorts of fruits and vegetable at a moderate rate throughout the year.

There being money to credit in this estate, useful works will gradually be carried out, but caution in expenditure must be used, as but a trifling portion of the present income comes from the estate itself, the larger part being derived from interest on loans.

(*Commissioner's remarks.*—In this estate also there is a good school and an excellent garden, and there has been some expenditure on useful works, but none on agricultural improvements. Here also this point is receiving attention. It would seem that the income derived from interest on loans could not possibly be more safely or more profitably invested than by improving the estate.)

(*a*) Sainkhera.—[*Income Rs.* 5,222-11-3, *Liabilities Rs.* 504-7-3.]—This estate is being managed by the Court of Wards owing to the incompetency of its proprietress Mussamat Rukma Bai, who is the owner of five entire villages, and considerable muafi, and malik-makbuza plots in this district.

Mussamat Rukma Bai receives Rs. 30, her grand-daughter Rs. 5, her mother-in-law Mussamat Sita Bai Rs. 30, as maintenance allowances from the Court of Wards.

Demand for 1892-93 :—

	Demand.			Collections.			Balance.		
	Rs.	a.	p.	Rs.	a.	p.	Rs.	a.	p.
Current ...	2,815	15	7	2,460	2	6	355	13	1
Arrears ...	338	2	0	209	11	9	128	6	3
Total ...	3,154	1	7	2,669	14	3	484	8	4

During the year under report a temporary loan of Rs. 1,300 was taken from the Kheri estate to pay the demand and cesses due to Government, and this loan, with Rs. 500 besides, making a total of Rs. 1,800, has been paid off. The balance of debt remaining to be paid is only Rs. 504-7-3. This will be easily paid off in the current year.

The usual seed advances were made during the year under report to an extent of 171 maunds 36 seers at the revised rate of interest.

(*Commissioner's remarks.*—The debts due by the proprietor of this estate will be completely cleared off during the current year, and it will be possible hereafter to effect some more substantial improvements.)

(*a*) Kesia.— [*Income Rs.* 6,035-10-6, *Liabilities* Nil].—This is one of the most important estates under the management of the Court of Wards of this district. It consists of nine entire villages all in the Betul Tahsil.

The proprietress, Rampiari Bai, is a Brahmin girl of about 8 years of age. She lives with her stepmother Mussammat Rukia Bai in Kesia. The latter receives Rs. 30 per month from the Court of Wards. Both have enjoyed good health throughout the year under report. They are anxious to learn Hindi, and the Inspector of Schools has been addressed to send a trained mistress for teaching them both Hindi and needle-work.

The result of rent collection in these hilly villages was satisfactory, as given below :—

	Demand.			Collection.			Balance.		
	Rs.	a.	p.	Rs.	a.	p.	Rs.	a.	p.
Current ...	3,251	2	8	3,196	9	5	54	9	3
Arrears ...	50	0	0	22	0	0	28	0	0
Total ...	3,301	2	8	3,218	9	5	82	9	3

This trifling balance will be collected in the current year.

Rupees 35 were given out as takavi, and 110 maunds of grain were also given for seed purposes.

During the year under report several works of great utility were carried out, which will be beneficial to both the proprietress and the people.

The water-supply at Kesia is ample; it is derived from a number of wells and the quality is excellent.

The garden at Kesia is one of the best in the district. It has lately been stocked with numerous kinds of grafted fruit trees from different parts of India.

(*Commissioner's remarks.*—This estate has been well looked after during the year. Some improvements have been effected, the school has been maintained in good order, and the garden is an excellent one.

It seems desirable that some purely agricultural improvements should be undertaken, and the present Deputy Commissioner is turning his attention to this point.)

(*a*) Masod.—[*Income Rs.* 19,493-9-8, *Liabilities* Nil].—This estate, which has been under the management of the Court of Wards since 1889, was given back to the proprietors, Laxami Kanth and his brothers, after the balance of debt had been paid off by

the proprietors themselves under the orders conveyed in Revenue Secretary's letter No. 4330, dated the 13th September 1893. The financial position of the estate was most unsatisfactory owing to the income having been greatly over-estimated.

The proprietors deserve no consideration as they had placed many obstacles in the way of proper management, and were constantly in arrears in respect to the rent of the Sir and khudkhast lands held by them.

(*Commissioner's remarks.*—The management of this estate was relinquished during the year.)

(*a*) Baghora.—[*Income Rs.* 2,167-1-11, *Liabilities Rs.* 3,792-1-0].—This estate was brought under the management of the Court of Wards, owing to the indebtedness of its proprietor Jairam Patel. He receives Rs. 30 a month as maintenance allowance.

During the year under report the demand and collections on current and arrear account were as follows :—

	Current.			Arrears.		
	Rs.	a.	p.	Rs.	a.	p.
Demand ...	1,792	7	8	234	9	5
Collection ...	1,746	7	2	57	1	9
Balance ...	46	0	6	177	7	8

The recoverable current demand has been collected nearly in full. As regards the arrears, the defaulters are very poor, and decrees have been obtained against them. Two of them have since absconded, and the arrears of rent due by them have had to be remitted.

Towards the repayment of the debt Rs. 500 were paid during the year under report.

The khudkhast fields are being cultivated by the three sons of Jairam Patel, and the rent was fully recovered from them during the year under report.

The water-supply in Baghora and Saori is good.

(*Commissioner's remarks.*—There is still a somewhat heavy debt due by this estate, and nothing consequently has been attempted in the way of improvements.)

(*a*) Ubharia.—[*Income Rs.* 1,221-10-5, *Liabilities Rs.* 4,979-2-5].—This estate is being managed by the Court of Wards since last year on account of the indebtedness of the proprietors. It contains three whole villages and a number of Sir fields, which have been leased out to tenants with the reservation of Sir rights. The proprietors receive an allowance of Rs. 10 per mensem from the Court of Wards.

It is gratifying to note that the whole of the land revenue, Rs. 587-15-0, has been collected in full without trouble, and there are no arrears due to the estate.

Takavi advances of seed grain were given during the year under report at the revised rate of interest to the extent of 31 maunds 32 seers.

The second kist, amounting to Rs. 512, including interest and principal, which was due to the creditor, Raja Gokul Dass, has been paid off during the year under report.

Nothing can be done in the way of improvements so long as the estate remains indebted. The balance of debt will, it is expected, be paid off in ten years.

The water-supply in the whole of the three villages is ample.

(*Commissioner's remarks.*—No improvements have been attempted in this estate as the amount of debt is still large and the income small.)

CHHINDWARA DISTRICT.

Mr. A. B. Napier, I. C. S., Deputy Commr.

(*a.*) **Pagara.**—[*Income Rs.* 31,225-2-1, *Liabilities* Nil].—This estate has been under management since 12th February 1878. The total income of the year, together with the balance at the commencement of the year, amounted to Rs. 69,702-4-4, and the expenditure to Rs. 29,794-14-2, leaving a balance of Rs. 39,907-6-2 at the close of the year.

The total rental demand of the estate for the year under report, including the arrears from previous year, amounted to Rs. 8,921-14-0 of which Rs. 6,835-0-6 have been recovered during the year, leaving a balance of Rs. 2,086-13-6 to be collected (excluding Rs. 15 struck off). The large amount of arrears from the current year's demand is chiefly due to the failure of crops during two successive years.

The Sir land of the estate has been leased out to cultivators with reservation of "Sir rights."

The forests have, for some time past, been the largest source of income to the estate. The income under this head is chiefly derived from the sale of *harra* fruit, a lease for which was given in 1891 for Rs. 19,000 for two years, or Rs. 9,500 a year, against Rs. 13,100 in 1889-90 for the same period, or Rs. 6,550 a year. The crop has again been leased out for the next two years for Rs. 20,000. The rest of the income was derived from grazing fees and sale of minor forest produce.

During the year the marriage ceremony of the Jagirdar has been performed under the management of the Jagirdar of Harai to whom the total amount of Rs. 7,000, sanctioned by the Chief Commissioner for the marriage ceremony, was paid.

The sum of Rs. 417-14-10 shown against side heading "Education" includes Rs. 300 on account of tuition fees of Drigpalsha, Rs. 90 pay of the teacher at Pagara, and Rs. 17-4-4 on account of scholarship paid to a boy who attended the Chhindwara 1st grade Middle School from Pagara, and Rs. 10-3-6 on account of the price of books distributed to the boys who were too poor to buy their own books.

A sum of Rs. 6,510 was advanced to the Executive Engineer in the previous year for constructing two *serais*, one at Pagara and the other at Tamia, and they have been completed during the year.

One hundred and ninety-one maunds and 25 seers of grain was purchased during the year for advances of seed grain to the cultivators as shown in Statement V, and 336 maunds, 7 seers and 8 chhattaks was recovered from cultivators on account of previous and current years' loans. 336 maunds, 7 seers and 8 chhattaks of grain was actually advanced to the cultivators during the year, and 191 maunds, 11 seers and 4 chhattaks remained in the hands of the Manager.

The sum of Rs. 6,510 advanced for constructing *serais* in the previous year was not found sufficient to cover the cost of some other work executed by the Executive Engineer, and a further sum of Rs. 189 was paid for this work to the Executive Engineer during the year. The works specified in Statement VIII have all been completed, with the exception of the out-post at Chawalpani.

(*Commissioner's remarks.*—The management of this estate has not been very satisfactory during the year. The Manager has been very dilatory and careless in the matter of accounts, and he has now been transferred to the Hoshangabad District as Assistant Manager of the Chhatu Estate, where he will be under the supervision of the District Manager. The only works of importance that have been completed during the year are the *serais* at Pagara itself and at Tamia on the road to Piparia. These are both strong and substantial buildings, which have been very well constructed under the supervision of the Public Works Department. Nearly Rs. 1,000 were also usefully expended on roads, and a well at Kohka has been completed, and a Police post at Chawalpani has been commenced. The scheme for constructing a series of tanks along the Chhindwara-Piparia road has also been carefully examined by the Executive Engineer, but this, I regret to say, does not appear so promising as it appeared at

first sight. The catchment area of most of the proposed tanks has been found to be very small, and as the soil is generally a very porous moorum and the under lying rock hard basalt, in which there are no springs, it is doubtful whether the tanks when constructed will retain sufficient water to be of much value to the people in the hot weather. The matter is then one which requires careful consideration before the works, which will necessarily be expensive, are undertaken. I have, however, great hopes that we may yet find sites where really good tanks can be constructed, as I am more than ever convinced that the want of plentiful water-supply is the chief obstacle to the opening out of this estate.

The reconnaisance of the road from the foot of the Tamiaghat to Nandia at the foot of the Taraghat has shown that this could be constructed at no great expense, but the construction of this road is necessarily contingent on the question of Taraghat being made practicable for pack bullocks and this has not yet been decided).

(*b*) Dhoda Borgaon.—[*Income Rs.* 633-2-0, *Liabilities* Nil].—This estate consisting of 2½ villages in Sausar Tahsil has been under management since 1st September 1882. The total income of the year, together with the opening balance at the commencement of the year, amounted to Rs. 1,080-14-8, and the expenditure to Rs. 593-13-8, leaving a balance of Rs. 487-1-0 at the close of the year. The whole of this amount was in the Government treasury.

The total demand of rents for the year, including arrears from the previous year, was Rs. 496-3-6, of which Rs. 460-5-0 have been realized during the year; Rs. 284-8-0 were paid on account of Government revenue and cesses.

The estate is looked after by the Tahsildar of Sausar, and no extra establishment, except a Forest watcher on Rs. 3-8-0 per mensem, has been entertained. Rupees 200 was spent on the marriage ceremony of the minor.

During the year the sharers of the villages not having come forward to demand the shares of their proprietary profits of the villages, nothing was paid to them. The estate is free from debt. The proprietor of the estate having come of age, wished his estate to be restored to him, and the Chief Commissioner has, in his Revenue Secretary's No. 4947, dated 21st October 1893, sanctioned the relinquishment of his estate. The Tahsildar of Sausar has, therefore, been directed to make over the estate to the proprietor.

(*Commissioner's remarks.*—This estate is now clear of debt, and there is a balance of Rs. 487-1-0 in the treasury. With this small sum no improvements could be effected, and as the proprietor has come of age, sanction has now been given to the management being relinquished.)

(*b*) Chowkdadhana.—[*Income Rs.* 16, *Liabilities* Nil].—The estate consists of a few absolute occupancy fields in mauzah Chowkdadhana, and has been under management since 8th May 1883. The income of the estate is derived chiefly from the sale of the produce of the minor's khudkasht land, but owing to the failure of the crops there has been no income from this source. The whole of the produce was utilized for the maintenance of the minor and his family.

There was a sum of Rs. 10 due to the estate under a bond from the proprietor's private servant and has not been recovered.

The estate has since been restored to the proprietor in accordance with the Chief Commissioner's order contained in Revenue Secretary's No. 3539, dated the 1st August 1893.

(*Commissioner's remarks.*—This small estate has now been restored to the proprietor.)

(*a*) Dhusawani.—[*Income Rs.* 406-12-7, *Liabilities Rs.* 366-14-9].—This estate being a Mokasa in the Pagara Jagir consists of five villages and has been under management since 1st June 1886. It was taken up under management in consequence of a sum of Rs. 1,162-14-3 advanced from the Pagara estate for the liquidation of the debts due by the Mokasdar.

The income of the estate, which is chiefly derived from rents, amounted during the year to Rs. 406-12-7, and the expenditure to Rs. 351-12-2, exclusive of Rs. 55-0-5, which were spent in re-payment of the debt due to the Pagara estate. There was thus no balance at the

close of the year. The total demand of rents for the year, including the arrears from previous year, amounted to Rs. 667, of which Rs. 406-12-7 only were realized during the year, leaving a balance of Rs. 260-3-5 to be collected.

The Jagirdar of Pagara is, under the terms of the Settlement, entitled to half the assets from rents of the mokasa villages. He also receives from the Mokasdar a *nazarana* at Rs. 5 per village, and Re. 0-4-0 per tenant in lieu of Chironji. Rupees 13-8-7 were paid to Government as contribution in accordance with Revenue Book Circular No. IV-13. Rupees 24-12-7 were credited to the Pagara estate on account of interest on debts due by the Mokasdar. The total amount of debt due by the estate, when the management was assumed, was Rs. 1,162-14-3, of which Rs. 740-15-1, exclusive of interest, have peen paid off, leaving a balance of Rs. 366-14-9 still due at the close of the year. The estate is looked after by the Manager of the Pagara estate without any allowance.

(*Commissioner's remarks.*—This is a very insignificant estate forming a part of the Pagara Jaghir to which it is indebted. The harvests of the year were bad, and about one-third of the demand could not be collected, so that no improvements could be attempted.)

(*a*) Chirewani.—[*Income Rs.* 499-8-0, *Liabilities* Nil].—This estate, consisting of an 8 annas share in Mauzah Chirewani, has been under management since the 1st July 1891.

The total income of the estate during the year, together with the opening balance at the commencement of the year, amounted to Rs. 3,405, and the expenditure to Rs. 325-4-10, leaving a balance of Rs. 3,079-11-2 at the close of the year. The whole of this sum was in the Government Treasury. The total demand of rents for the year under report amounted to Rs. 179-8-0. The whole of this sum has been realized.

As reported in previous year the Sir land of the minor has been leased out for five years to the co-sharer of the village at a rental of Rs. 240 a year, after reservation of Sir rights. The amount of the lease Rs. 240 has been realized.

Rupees 13-7-7 were credited into the Treasury on account of contribution in accordance with Revenue Book Circular No. IV—13, and shown against the side-heading "Cost of management" in Statement III. The sum of Rs. 184 shown against the side-heading "Personal expenses," includes Rs. 144 paid to the minor for his and his mother's maintenance.

The balance at the credit of the estate being large it was proposed in the previous years to invest Rs. 2,000 in Government Promissory notes, but the price of the papers being high, the purchase was deferred. The same proposal has again been made during the year unless any other suitable investment can be found. The late Deputy Commissioner visited the estate and did not find any opening for expenditure on improvement. The estate is looked after by the Tahsildar of Sausar.

(*Commissioner's remarks.*—This estate consists only of a share in a village. It was visited by the Deputy Commissioner during the year, but he found that nothing could well be done towards effecting improvements.)

WARDHA DISTRICT.

Mr. H. A. Crump, I. C. S., Deputy Commr.

(*a*) Moi.—[*Income Rs.* 5,113-13-8, *Liabilities* Nil].—The financial position of the estate is as shown below:—

	Rs.	a.	p.
Opening cash balance	3,531	8	5
Amount collected, including debts	5,472	11	2
Total ...	9,004	3	7
Amount expended ...	5,130	2	1

Cash balance :—	Rs.	a.	p.
In Treasury (Personal Deposit)	3,052	15	5
In Savings Bank	636	12	0
With Abaji, late Havildar of Wasla and Mendha in the Brahmapuri Tahsil, Chanda District ...	179	11	0
With Deo Rao, Havildar of Wasla and Mendha in the Brahmapuri Tahsil, Chanda District ...	4	11	1
Total ...	3,874	1	6

In addition to the above Rs. 3,275-2-0 have been invested as follows :—

	Rs.	a.	p.
In Government Security	2,000	0	0
In other loans (Taccavi)	1,275	2	0
Total ...	3,275	2	0

During the year under report the receipts under all the heads increased from Rs. 3,591-10-2 to Rs. 5,472-11-2. The increase is due to the large collections on account of current and arrear demand of rent and recovery of debts and advances. The expenditure increased from Rs. 2,874-7-9 to Rs. 5,130-2-1. This large increase in expenditure occurred mainly under heads "Cost of management," "Miscellaneous" "Investments in Taccavi and other loans" and "Investments in Estate improvement."

During the year under report Rs. 1,275-2-0 and Rs. 676 were spent in advancing loans to cultivators and in estate improvements respectively, against *nil* in the preceding year.

The total demand on account of rent, including arrears for the past year, was Rs. 6,110-8-1, of which Rs. 5,009-13-7, including Rs. 1,235-5-3 on account of arrears were collected during the year under report, leaving a balance of Rs. 1,100-10-6. Although the whole of the demand was not realized, still the collections were better than in the preceding year. This balance is due to unfavourable circumstances of the season in the month of March last, resulting in serious damage to the Rabi crops. As the cultivators were in distressed circumstances they were not pressed for punctual payment.

In this estate 38 khandies, 11 kuros and 7 pailies of grain were received from cultivators and 38 khandies, 12 kuros and 4 pailies were advanced to them for seed. The whole of the grain has been advanced and there is nothing actually in hand.

In the estate rents are paid in cash and so there was no occasion to commute grain rents into money rents.

The ward's house at Moi which was under construction has now been completed. During the year Rs. 676 were spent in estate improvements.

The number of absolute occupancy holdings is 18. No occupancy tenure lapsed to the estate and none of the ordinary tenants purchased occupancy rights, although the provisions of Section 62 of the Tenancy Act were explained to them by the Settlement Officer, his Assistants and the Tahsildar.

The ward Dhanoba Bagal enjoyed good health during the year under report. He resides in Moi and looks after the fields entrusted to him with a view to gain experience. He is now 21½ years old.

During the last two years he has entirely neglected his studies, but he now promises to join the school and continue his studies till he passes the Middle School Examination, and on this understanding the Deputy Commissioner has recommended that the estate should not be made over to him. An allowance of Rs. 25 per mensem is paid to him for his maintenance.

(*Commissioner's remarks.*—Rent collections were as follows :—

	Rs.	a.	p.
Demand for the year ...	4,194	4	7
Arrears of previous year ...	1,916	3	6
Total ...	6,110	8	1
Collection on account of the year ...	3,774	8	4
Do. do. previous year ...	1,235	5	3
Balance of the year ...	419	12	3
Do. do. previous year ...	680	14	3

The total result shows an improvement over the unsatisfactory collections of the preceding year, but the balance is still large, being more than one-sixth of the total amount for collection. The Deputy Commissioner explains that owing to the damage done to the rabi crops by the rains of February and March, cultivators who were in distressed circumstances were not pressed for punctual payment.

More than one half of the balance due on account of the year under report is due in respect of villages in the Brahmapuri Tahsil of the Chanda District. The system under which these villages have been managed has been unsatisfactory. The Havildar in charge (since dismissed) appears to have misappropriated rents. The question of introducing new arrangements for the supervision of the villages situated in the Chanda District is under consideration.

The rents in this estate are all paid in cash. Some cases of excessive rents paid by ordinary tenants were reduced by the Settlement Officer. No occupancy tenures were purchased during the year, though it appears that the provisions of Section 62 of the Tenancy Act were duly explained to the ordinary tenants. The importance of making takavi loans and laying out sums in estate improvements has received attention, Rs. 1,275 and Rs. 676 having been spent on these accounts respectively against nothing in the previous year. Further provision on both accounts has been made in the budget for 1893-94.

The ward has now attained majority, but as he has applied to have the superintendence of the Court of Wards continued, he has recently been declared incompetent to manage his own affairs. The estate has no liabilities.)

(*a*) Hingni.—[*Income Rs.* 5,680-7-0, *Liabilities Rs.* 1,264-4-0].—The following table shows the financial position of the estate on the 30th September 1893 :—

	Rs.	a.	p.
Opening balance	40	15	8
Amount collected	5,680	7	0
Total ...	5,721	6	8
Amount expended	5,073	6	2
Cash balance in hand	648	0	6

The income from village rental, including arrears for the preceding year, was Rs. 5,537-2-0 against Rs. 5,377-12-10, while the income from miscellaneous heads was Rs. 143-5-0 against Rs. 407-2-0 in the preceding year.

During the year under report Rs. 240 were spent in building a house for the ward at Hingni against *nil* in the preceding year. Owing to want of funds Rs. 900 only were paid to Raja Gokul Dass in satisfaction of his debt, which has now been reduced to Rs. 1,264-4-0. It is hoped that the estate will be free from debt within the next two years.

The demand on account of rent for the year under report was Rs. 6,224-12-3, including Rs. 1,304-11-11 on account of arrears, of this demand Rs. 4,497-10-6 were collected on account of current year, and Rs. 1,039-7-6 on account of arrears, total Rs. 5,537-2-0, leaving a balance of Rs. 422-5-10 on account of the current year and Rs. 265-4-5 on account of arrears.

Owing to hail-storms during the month of March last, several cultivators suffered heavy damages, and consequently were not pressed for punctual payment of rents.

No grain advances are made in this estate, and all rents are paid in cash.

The number of absolute occupancy holdings in this estate is 50. None of the tenants purchased occupancy rights during the year under report.

During the year no occupancy tenures lapsed to the estate.

The ward, Yado Rao, is now about 7½ years of age: he enjoyed good health during the year and is in charge of his mother at Hingni. He attends the Hingni school and is reported to have made a fair progress in his studies. The ceremony of tonsure and investiture with the sacred thread will be performed during the current year. An allowance of Rs. 30 per mensem is paid to his mother for maintenance of herself and her son. Rupees two per mensem are paid for his education.

(*Commissioner's remarks.*—Rent collections were:—

		Rs.	a.	p.
Demand for the year	...	4,920	0	4
Arrears of previous year	...	1,304	11	11
Total	...	6,224	12	3
Collections on account of the year	...	4,497	10	6
Do. do. arrears	...	1,039	7	6
Balance on account of the year	...	422	5	10
Do. do. previous year	...	265	4	5

The remarks made in regard to the Moi Estate in respect of rent collection apply here. The balances excepting Rs. 7 are said to be recoverable.

In this estate also all rents are paid in cash No occupancy tenures were purchased during the year, though the provisions of Section 62 of the Tenancy Act were explained to the people. Some excessive rents paid by ordinary tenants were reduced by the Settlement Officer. Though very little of the debt of the estate remains, it is not yet in a position to make advances in the shape of takavi loans. The estate should be clear of debt in two years.

Under the head "Estate improvements" a small sum was spent in building a new house for the ward, and a further small provision is made on this account in the budget for 1893-94. The ward who is 7½ years of age is reported to be doing well and to have made fair progress in his studies.)

(*a*) Chandewani.—[*Income Rs.* 1,319-8-3, *Liabilities* Nil].—The financial position of the estate is as shown below:—

		Rs.	a.	p.
Opening balance	...	894	9	5
Amount collected	...	1,319	8	3
Total	...	2,214	1	8
Amount expended	...	1,130	6	6
Cash balance in hand	...	1,083	11	2

The amount of expenditure during the year under report was less by Rs. 442-4-3 than in the preceding year. This is due to the fact that the estate being freed from debt last year, nothing was required to be paid towards the liquidation of debt during the year under report.

The whole of the demand due for the year was collected during the year under report.

The number of absolute occupancy holdings is 43. No tenants purchased occupancy rights, although the provisions of Section 62 of the Tenancy Act were explained to the tenants by the Tahsildar. During the year under report no occupancy tenures lapsed to the estate. As the rents are paid in cash there was no occasion to commute grain rents into money rents. In this estate the tenants borrow grain from other malguzars as there is no stock with the Court of Wards.

Rupees 50 were spent on estate improvements, *viz.*, repairs to a well; as the balance in hand of the estate was very small, more could not be spent in this direction. A provision was made in the Budget for advancing taccavi loans to the tenants, but none came forward with application, although asked to apply for such loans.

The ward, Bapurao Ganesh, resides in Nagpur under the guardianship of his mother, and attends the Itwari Branch of the City Aided School. The Headmaster of this school reports that Bapurao is regular in attendance and is in the Upper Primary class, *i. e.*, the 4th vernacular class. He has made a very fair progress in his studies and bears a good character. He has enjoyed good health during the year under report and is about 15 years old. An allowance of Rs. 10 per mensem is given to the minor's mother for maintenance both of herself and her son.

(*Commissioner's remarks.*—This estate consists of a single village. Rents due have all been collected, leaving no balance at the end of the year. The estate entirely liquidated its debt in the previous year, but though a large amount could have been provided, only Rs. 50 was spent in estate improvements, *viz.*, in repairs to a well. No takavi advances were made. As the Deputy Commissioner writes, there were no applications for such loans, though tenants were informed they could obtain them. In the current year's budget a provision of Rs. 300 each has been provided to improve the water-supply of the estate and to make takavi advances. In this estate also, as in the other two, rents are paid in cash. No tenants purchased occupancy rights during the year.

The ward is 15 years old and is reported to be doing well both in health and in his studies.)

General.

The receipts of the estates consist chiefly of rents and income from Sir land; these are shown below :—

	Rents.			Income from Sir land.		
	Rs.	a.	p.	Rs.	a.	p.
Moi ...	1,952	2	7	3,057	11	0
Hingni ...	3,408	0	9	2,129	1	3
Chandewani ...	1,107	0	3	203	8	0

In the Moi Estate by far the greater portion of the land under cultivation appears to be Sir.

The Government revenue and cesses on the estates are :—

	Rs.	a.	p.
Moi ...	1,999	7	9
Hingni ...	2,695	1	10
Chandewani ...	881	8	4

Speaking generally of the management of the three estates during the year it may be said that there has been improvement. Endeavours have been made to explain the provisions of Section 62 of the Tenancy Act to the people, and the grant of takavi loans and the making of such estate improvements as funds permit, have not been overlooked.

It is satisfactory to note that in none of the estates are rents paid in kind.

With the exception of Hingni, which has only a small balance still to pay, the estates are free from debt.

NAGPUR DISTRICT.

Mr. W. A. Needham, Deputy Commr.

(*a*) **Chachur.**—[*Income Rs.* 23,916-9-1, *Liabilities Rs.* 64,070-10-5].—The income of the year under notice amounts to Rs. 23,917 against Rs. 20,971 in the preceding year.

The expenditure during the year under notice amounts to Rs. 23,986 against Rs. 20,464 in the year preceding. The personal expenses include the following items :—

	Rs.
Personal allowance of Ahiloji Rao	3,585
Do. of Ramchander Rao (the ward's son) ...	720
Income-tax on pension	195
Miscellaneous	150
Presents to the Bhonsla family on the occasion of the birth of a son to the Raja's sister	150
Total ...	4,800

Demand and collections are shown below :—

	Demand.			Collections.			Balance.		
	Rs.	a.	p.	Rs.	a.	p.	Rs.	a.	p.
Current ...	14,808	2	7	13,360	11	3	1,447	7	4
Arrears ...	2,547	9	2	2,013	13	10	533	11	4
Total ...	17,355	11	9	15,374	9	1	1,981	2	8

Out of the arrears amounting to Rs. 533-11-4, Rs. 38-1-6 have been written off; the recoverable balance amounts to Rs. 1,943-1-2.

The ward's conduct has improved. He appears to have given up his bad habits and is said to be now leading a quiet and respectable life. The liabilities of the estate have now been reduced to Rs. 64,071.

(*Commissioner's remarks.*—The income has risen during the year from Rs. 20,971 to Rs. 23,917, due chiefly to collection of arrears of rent. The rent arrears at the close of the year amounted to Rs. 1,447-7-4 on account of the year under report, and Rs. 533-11-4 on account of the previous year, out of a total demand for collection of Rs. 17,355-11-9.

The estate is still heavily in debt. A sum of Rs. 6,620 was paid during the year under report in liquidation of the principal against Rs. 3,026 in the preceding year. The amount paid on account of interest on the debt was Rs. 5,880, and as long as this heavy charge continues little can be done in the direction of estate improvement. When the interest charge has been reduced to a moderate amount, a certain sum might be set aside annually for estate improvement, although this may involve the prolongation of the period within which the debt can be entirely liquidated.]

(*a*) **Bhonsla.**—[*Income Rs.* 3,61,092-4-5, *Liabilities* Nil].—The total income of the estate during the y ear under report amounted to Rs. 3,61,092 against Rs. 3,12,280 in the year preceding.

An increase under the head "Rents" is due partly to better collections during the year under notice, and partly to the fact that the income from Sir land leased out has been shown during the year under notice under the head "Rents," while it was shown in the past year under the head "Sir land."

A decrease under the head "Forest" is owing to less timber having been sold during the year under report, and to the failure of the Mohwa crop.

The expenditure during the year under notice amounted to Rs. 4,91,826 as compared with Rs. 4,83,358 in the year preceding. The figures include (1) unadjusted advances outstanding, and (2) deposits repaid.

The details of personal expenses are given in Schedule B attached to this note. The principal items are given below :—

	Rs.
Pay of establishment	29,789
Kitchen expenses	4,955
Pin-money for Ranis, Raja's wife and sisters ...	12,904
Stable expenses	11,872
Spent on clothing for Ranis, &c.	3,052
Trips to Benares, Jubbulpore, &c.	15,724
Ceremonies connected with recent marriages ...	3,991
Purchase of horses, bullocks, &c.	3,465
Festivals	3,285
Contributions to Town Hall and City School buildings ...	11,000

The miscellaneous expenditure during the year under report amounted to Rs. 51,615 against Rs. 49,586 in the year preceding. The principal items are given below :—

	Rs.
Expenditure in connection with gardens and cultivation ...	19,722
Spent for cutting grass	1,921
Purchase of grain and cotton, &c.	7,336

The expenditure on Education during the year under notice amounted to Rs. 42,167 as compared with Rs. 44,768 in the preceding year. The expenses incurred for securing the supervision of a European tutor for the education of the Raja and his brother are included under this head. The details are given below :—

	Rs.
Pay of establishment, including tutor's pay	10,956
Pocket-money	2,130
Kitchen expenses	2,100
Clothing	2,280
Stable expenses	4,192
Construction of outhouses and repairs to bungalow ...	2,656
Purchase of horses	5,600
Trip to Mahableshwar, &c.	2,800
Presents to Mr. Kneller, late European tutor ...	2,200
Contingencies	3,600
Miscellaneous petty items	3,653
Total ...	42,167

The following figures show the degree of efficiency with which rents were collected in the three different Provinces in which the villages belonging to the estate are situated :—

	Demand.	Collections.	Balance.
	Central Provinces.		
	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.
Current ...	1,52,639 2 9	1,37,625 15 3	15,013 3 6
Arrears ...	25,346 3 2	16,564 4 11	8,781 14 3
Total ...	1,77,985 5 11	1,54,190 4 2	23,795 1 9
	Berar.		
Current ...	6,552 11 6	6,086 1 0	466 10 6
Arrears ...	954 9 9	107 0 6	847 9 3
Total ...	7,507 5 3	6,193 1 6	1,314 3 9
	Bombay Presidency.		
Current ...	15,753 9 6	13,954 5 6	1,799 4 0
Arrears ...	1,978 4 7	1,034 9 2	943 11 5
Total ...	17,731 14 1	14,988 14 8	2,742 15 5

Raja Raghoji Rao and his brother Laxmon Rao enjoyed good health during the year under report. Raja Raghoji Rao came of age on the 7th November 1893, and his estate was made over to Colonel Lugard on his behalf on the 8th idem in accordance with the Chief Commissioner's orders.

(*Commissioner's remarks.*—The Deputy Commissioner's report is very meagre. Statement I shows the assets of the estate. There has been no change in regard to the number of villages and plots belonging to the estate. As regards other assets the figures for 3 years are as follows:—

		30*th September* 1891.	30*th September* 1892.	30*th September* 1893.
		Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
Value of immoveable property	...	2,39,815	2,64,815	2,64,815
Do. personal property	...	25,30,323	24,83,094	25,01,986
Cash in hand	...	76,460	38,036	37,615
Invested in Government Securities	...	1,80,000	1,25,000	95,000
Do. other loans	...	1,38,768	1,51,547	1,42,106
Arrears of rent due to the estate	...	12,116	28,279	27,200
Total	...	31,77,502	30,90,771	30,68,722

The value of the immoveable property was increased by Rs. 25,000 in 1891-92, owing to the purchase of a bungalow in the civil station of Nagpur, but this with other heavy expenditure on tours, marriages and other family ceremonies, reduced the capital invested in Government paper by Rs. 55,000 in that year. There has been a further reduction in the year under report of Rs. 30,000 of the sum held in Government paper. This is not explained by the Deputy Commissioner, but is probably due to abnormal expenditure. For instance, amongst the items of expenditure will be found a sum of about Rs. 16,000 spent in trips to Benares and other places, and a sum of Rs. 10,000 contributed towards the building of a Town Hall in Nagpur. The figures given above show an increase in the year under report of Rs. 18,892 in the value of the moveable property. This is not explained.

The receipts of the year (excluding advances and debt) amounted to Rs. 3,61,092 against Rs 3,12,280 in 1891-92, being an increase of Rs. 48,812. But of this increase Rs. 30,000, representing the value of Government paper sold and classed under the head "Miscellaneous," is not a real increase of receipts.

The following detailed statement of the expenditure of the 2 years 1891-92 and 1892-93, shows that there was a decrease in the latter year of expenditure proper, and an increase under the investment and loan heads:—

Expenditure proper.		1891-92.	1892-93.	Difference.
		Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
Government Revenue	...	85,895	86,378	+483
Village servants	...	2,884	3,057	+173
Cost of management	...	26,257	26,196	—61
Personal expenses	...	1,46,546	1,34,674	—11,872
Education	...	44,768	42,167	—2,601
Miscellaneous	...	49,586	51,615	+2,029
Total	...	3,55,936	3,44,087	—11,849
Other items.				
Advances	...	28,113	26,081	—2,032
Invested in other loans or takavi	...	68,819	1,06,274	+37,455
Do. purchase of land or houses	...	26,364	295	—26,069
Do. estate improvement	...	2,740	2,958	+218
Re-payment of debt.	...	1,386	12,131	+10,745
GRAND TOTAL	...	4,83,358	4,91,826	+8,468

Under the heads "Personal expenses" and "Education" there has been a decrease of over Rs. 14,000. The personal expenditure is very large, much of it being due to the variety of establishments, which the Raja and Ranis think it necessary should be maintained in order to keep up their dignity. There appears to have been a large increase in the amount spent in tacavi advances, but the Deputy Commissioner's report is silent on the subject. The item of over Rs. 12,000 shown under the head "Re-payment of debt" is not explained.

Out of a total rent demand of Rs. 1,74,943 on account of the year under report, Rs. 1,57,666 was collected, leaving an uncollected balance of Rs. 17,279 or 9 per cent. on the demand. Of an arrears demand of Rs. 28,279, Rs. 17,706 were collected, leaving an uncollected balance of Rs. 10,573 or 37 per cent., in regard to which no explanation is offered. Damage was done to the rabi crops in the Nagpur country by the rain in February and March last, but the Deputy Commissioner has apparently not thought it necessary to enter into details regarding this estate, as it has been restored to Raja Raghuji Rao since the close of the year.

There were altogether 177 suits for arrears of rent during the year. It is satisfactory to note that there were 28 cases in which occupancy rights were purchased under Section 62 of the Tenancy Act.

Rupees 2,957-8-9 was spent in estate improvements, consisting chiefly in repairs to wells and tanks and sinking new wells.]

(*a*) Sausthanik.—[*Income Rs.* 1,16,350-2-4, *Liabilities* Nil].—The income of the estate during the year under notice amounts to Rs. 1,16,350 as compared with Rs. 1,16,191 in the preceding year.

During the year 1891-92, Government securities amounting to Rs. 15,000 were sold in order to raise funds required to meet the cost of certain works. By this sale a premium of Rs. 1,172 was realized. No sale of Government paper was effected during the year under report.

The expenditure during the year under notice amounts to Rs. 1,13,484 against Rs. 1,17,759 in the year preceding, exclusive of unadjusted advances and deposits repaid.

The personal expenses during the year under notice amount to Rs. 46,835.

The efficiency of the rent collections may be judged from the following figures :—

	Demand.			Collections.			Balance.		
	Rs.	a.	p.	Rs.	a.	p.	Rs.	a.	p.
Current ...	59,586	2	11	54,912	12	4	4,673	6	7
Arrears ...	5,032	5	7	3,247	6	0	1,784	15	7
Total ...	64,618	8	6	58,160	2	4	6,458	6	2

The balance to be realized is heavy owing to the injury done to crops by hail, particularly in the Chhindwara District.

The ward is a minor, ten years old. He continues to attend the Convent School. A private tutor has been appointed on Rs. 15 per mensem to assist him in his home-studies. His health remained good throughout the year under report. The construction of the Reception Hall in the Palace building has been completed.

(*Commissioner's remarks.*—The income of the year is nearly the same as that of the preceding year, while there was a decrease of expenditure (exclusive of unadjusted advances) due chiefly to reduction of the amount invested in tacavi loans.

The balance of rents to be collected is large. The Deputy Commissioner explains that injury done to the crops by hail, especially in the Chhindwara District, delayed realization. Out of an arrears demand of Rs. 5,032, a balance of Rs. 1,784 or 35 per cent. was still uncollected at the close of the year, which is hardly satisfactory. The amount spent in tacavi loans and estate improvements was insignificant. More suitable provision has, however, been made for tacavi loans in the current year's budget. The Deputy Commissioner should endeavour to

curtail the personal expenditure in order that more money may be available for the permanent improvement of the estate. The stable expenditure, as I have already pointed out to the Deputy Commissioner, appears to me to be unduly high.

The estate has no liabilities.)

(*a*) Doman Sing (Bori).—[*Income Rs.* 3,235-12-7, *Liabilities* Nil].—The income of the Estate during the year under notice amounts to Rs. 3,236, against Rs. 3,696 of the preceding year :—

	1891-92.	1892-93.
	Rs.	Rs.
Rents	2,086	3,006
Sir land	670	28
Forests	17	17
Sair	55	6
Interest on Government Securities	100	69
Miscellaneous	768	107
Interest on other loans	...	3
Total ...	3,696	3,236

The expenditure during the year under notice amounts to Rs. 3,122, against Rs. 4,468 in the year preceding.

The personal expenses include the following items :—

	Rs.
Paid to the ward for his ordinary expenses	375
Paid to his sister	156
Spent on anniversary (ceremonies)	92
Miscellaneous	15
Total ...	638

The rent demand and collections are shown below :—

	Demand.	Collection.	Balance.
	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.
Current ...	3,195 9 10	2,616 9 10	579 0 0
Arrears ...	514 2 3	389 2 9	124 15 6
Total ...	3,709 12 1	3,005 12 7	703 15 6

The Kamdar in charge of this estate was heavily handicapped as he had to look after several villages of six other estates (including this one), and this accounts for his backwardness in making collections. He has now been relieved to a certain extent, as eight villages of the Bhonsla estate of which he was in charge have just been released from the Court of Wards management.

The ward is a minor, 16 years old. He resides at Bori and has been attending the village school there. The Deputy Commissioner intends, however, to bring him to Nagpur, where he will have better opportunities of prosecuting his studies.

[*Commissioner's remarks.*—This is a small estate and is free from debt. The balance of rent arrears is proportionately large; the Deputy Commissioner explains that the reason for this, *viz.*, inadequacy of establishment, has now ceased to exist.

Some provision, to the extent of the funds available for the purpose, has been made in the current year's budget for estate improvement. There was no expenditure under this head during the year under report.]

(*a*) Pandurang Rao, Gujar.—[*Income Rs.* 7,566-6-0, *Liabilities Rs.* 5,905-1-6].—The income of the estate during the year under notice amounts to Rs. 7,566 against Rs. 7,135 of the year preceding.

The expenditure during the year under notice amounts to Rs. 7,543 as compared with Rs. 6,667 in the year preceding.

The personal expenses amounting to Rs. 2,212 include the following items :—

	Rs.
Paid to the ward for his ordinary expenses	1,984
Income-tax on political pension	85
Paid to the ward for a pilgrimage to Benares	100
Paid to the ward for making presents to his relations ...	40
Miscellaneous	3
Total ...	2,212

The efficiency of rent collections is shown below : —

	Demand.			Collection.			Balance.		
	Rs.	a.	p.	Rs.	a.	p.	Rs.	a.	p.
Current ...	4,543	13	0	3,749	9	6	794	3	6
Arrears ...	915	8	3	466	12	6	448	11	9
Total ...	5,459	5	3	4,216	6	0	1,242	15	3

The large balance amounting to Rs. 1,242-15-3 is partly due to the fact that the ward, who is in charge of home cultivation, could not pay the rental fully owing to the failure of the orange crops, and partly owing to the fall of hail, especially in Mauzah Ubali belonging to the estate.

The ward's conduct has been satisfactory. The liabilities are now reduced to Rs. 5,905.

[*Commissioner's remarks.*—The debt of the estate has now been reduced to Rs. 5,905, an amount of Rs. 1,198 having been paid towards liquidation of the principal in the year under report.

Rent collections are not satisfactory, and while the Deputy Commissioner's explanation accounts for the large uncollected balance on account of the year under report, it hardly explains the considerable balance on account of previous arrears.]

(*a*) Krishna Rao, Gujar.—[*Income Rs.* 14,316-5-11, *Liabilities Rs.* 24,609-6-9].—The income of the estate during the year under notice amounted to Rs. 14,316 against Rs. 14,323 in the preceding year.

The expenditure during the year under notice amounted to Rs. 14,735 as compared with Rs. 15,148 in the preceding year.

The rent demand and collections are shown below :—

	Demand.			Collection.			Balance.		
	Rs.	a.	p.	Rs.	a.	p.	Rs.	a.	p.
Current ...	14,385	7	1	11,733	15	8	2,651	7	5
Arrears ...	2,680	3	6	1,824	6	3	855	13	3
Total ...	17,065	10	7	13,558	5	11	3,507	4	8

Out of the balance amounting to Rs. 3,507-4-8, the sum of Rs. 399-4-6 has since been written off as irrecoverable. The liabilities are now reduced to Rs. 24,609.

[*Commissioner's remarks.*—The income is about the same as the preceding year. Rent collection is unsatisfactory, and no explanation is given for the large amount of arrears. The heavy debt of this estate at the time of taking over management has now been reduced very considerably, and it may be expected to be entirely paid off in about 6 years' time, if repayment continues at the present rate. No provision has been made in the budget for 1893-94 for estate improvement, as it seemed best at the present time to endeavour to reduce the debt and the yearly charge for interest on it. But when the debt is reduced to a manageable amount, there will not be the same need to grudge a certain annual expenditure on outlay in estate improvement.]

(*a*) Yadho Rao Jamdar.—[*Income Rs.* 4,815-0-5, *Liabilities Rs.* 30,590-13-0].—The income of the estate during the year under report amounts to Rs. 4,815 against Rs. 4,769 in the preceding year. The expenditure during the year under notice amounted to Rs 7,467 as compared with Rs. 5,607 in the year preceding. The increase is mainly due to the fact that compound, as well as simple interest, amounting to Rs. 4,169 was paid during the year under notice, owing to the postponement of the instalment due in the preceding year, on account of money having been paid to the ward for his brother's and sister's marriages, while in the year preceding only simple interest amounting to Rs. 1,469 was paid.

The rent demand and collections are shown below :—

	Demand.			Collection.			Balance.		
	Rs.	a.	p.	Rs.	a.	p.	Rs.	a.	p.
Current ...	3,728	6	4	3,166	7	11	561	14	5
Arrears ...	1,078	13	9	713	8	6	365	5	3
Total ...	4,807	4	1	3,880	0	5	927	3	8

The ward attends the Morris College and is studying for the B. A. examination.

[*Commissioner's remarks.*—This is a heavily indebted estate, and the amount paid off during the year is very small compared with the amount of the debt. For the reason given by the Deputy Commissioner, the charge on account of interest on the debt was unusually heavy during the year under report, and the total expenditure was larger than that of the preceding year on this account.]

(*a*) Laxmi Bai, Naikin.—[*Income Rs.* 11,605-3-1, *Liabilities* Nil].—The income of the estate during the year under notice amounts to Rs. 11,605 against Rs. 11,960 of the year preceding.

The expenditure during the year under notice amounted to Rs. 12,154 as against Rs. 15,073 in the year preceding. The decrease is accounted for by the fact that Rs. 5,000 were invested in Government paper during the preceding year, while Rs. 2,000 only were invested during the year under notice.

The personal expenditure includes Rs. 1,500.

The efficiency of rent collections may be judged from the following figures:—

	Demand.			Collection.			Balance.		
	Rs.	a.	p.	Rs.	a.	p.	Rs.	a.	p.
Current ...	8,134	14	4	6,879	0	1	1,255	14	3
Arrears ...	1,710	0	9	652	3	0	1,057	13	9
Total ...	9,844	15	1	7,531	3	1	2,313	12	0

The heavy balance is due to the damage caused to crops in some of the villages by hail.

The ward, who is a minor 15 years old, is able to read and write and has made some progress in arithmetic. Her conduct has been good.

[*Commissioner's remarks.*—Rent arrears are large, and the explanation that this is due to damage done to crops by hail does not adequately explain the arrears still pending in some villages from the previous year. Rupees 2,000 were invested in Government paper, bringing up the total amount so invested to the substantial sum of Rs. 35,000.

The financial condition of the estate allows of liberal expenditure on tacavi advances or improvements in respect of which there appears to have been no outlay hitherto. A sum of Rs. 2,000 has been provided in the current year's budget for the latter object.

The estate has no liabilities.]

General.

The charge of one estate (that of Ranoji Naik), was owing to the ward's attaining his majority, surrendered during the year, reducing the number under management to 8. Since the close of the year the Bhonsla Estate has also been surrendered on one of the wards attaining his majority.

The Deputy Commissioner does not state whether any endeavours were made during the year to explain the provisions of Section 62 of the Tenancy Act to the ordinary tenants on the various estates under his charge. In the Bhonsla Estate 28 tenants purchased occupancy rights during the year, but no such purchases were made in any other estate.

In no estate were any proceedings taken for enhancement of rents, and in the Bhonsla Estate only, were any suits for arrears filed.

The returns show that no rents are now taken in grain in any of the estates. Some grain rents were commuted to cash rents during the year in the Bhonsla Estate.

Proceedings for recalculating grain debts and giving the debtors the option of paying in cash, in accordance with the Chief Commissioner's Resolution of the 19th February 1892, were in progress during the year, and the Deputy Commissioner was requested to direct the Manager to complete the matter by personally visiting the villages on the estates concerned and making the necessary local enquiries.

The Sausthanik Estate and the estate of Laxmi Bai Naikin are solvent and flourishing, and it is in these two estates that most scope exists for systematic expenditure on tacavi loans and estate improvement. In the case of both of them the Deputy Commissioner should, I think, fix an irreducible minimum to be spent annually on these purposes, and personal expenditure should, if necessary, and except for any special reasons, give way before this minimum. In Doman Singh's estate also some small sum can be similarly set aside. The remaining estates are in debt, and those of Ahiloji Rao and Yado Rao Jamdar are so heavily in debt in proportion to the funds annually available for paying it off that the Deputy Commissioner will be asked to consider and report, with reference to the orders contained in paragraph 14 of the Chief Commissioner's Resolution of the Court of Wards Report for 1891-92, whether a portion of the estates should not be sold in order to reduce the period of probable liquidation of the debt to a reasonable term.

The Manager, Moreshwar, Atmaram has discharged his duties conscientiously and morally, but his capabilities are limited. I think there has been a want of grip in the Court of Wards management of this district, but the charge was a very heavy one. Now that the Bhonsla Estate is no longer under the Court of Wards, the charge will be a much lighter one, and closer supervision and control of details will be looked for.

BHANDARA DISTRICT.

(*a*) **Darekassa.**—[*Income Rs.* 3,807-10-6, *Liabilities* Nil].—This estate was taken over in January 1885 for indebtedness, and consists of eight whole villages and an 8-anna share in another. The income from all sources during the year under report is as follows :— Mr. H. M. Lavens, I. C. S., Deputy Commr.

	1891-92.	1892-93.
	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.
Rents	728 0 0	711 0 0
Sir	...	...
Forests	1,156 3 0	3,096 10 6
Miscellaneous	12 8 0	...
Total ...	1,896 11 0	3,807 10 6

The decrease in "Rents" is very small, whereas the increase in "Forests" is chiefly due to the brisk sale of bamboos and khakers during the year under report. No large wood has been sold, but has been kept reserved as heretofore.

The uninvested balance at the commencement of the year was Rs. 354-0-11 which, added to the receipts, brings the figure up to Rs. 4,161-11-5. The expenditure under all heads amounts to Rs. 1,125-9-3, thus leaving an uninvested balance of Rs. 3,036-2-2 at the close of the year, of which Rs. 3,016-1-7 are in the Government Treasury and Rs. 20-0-7 in the Moharir's hands. Raja Gokuldas's debts were liquidated during the previous year; this year Rs. 200 were given to one Kanhai Singh of Bori, in part satisfaction of his claim; the remainder was paid after the close of the year. Payment was not made during the year owing to the non-attendance of Kanhai Singh. The above sum of Rs. 200 is included under the head "Miscellaneous" in Statement III.

The ward is about 38 years old. He has for his maintenance the Kamaths of Piparia and Dhanegaon; in addition to this he gets some allowance (about Rs. 250 a year) for carrying on his cultivation.

During the current year, as the debts have been liquidated and there were spare funds in deposit, some works of improvement have been provided for in the budget for 1893-94. The ward desires to take over the management of his estate, and he may be permitted to do so at the close of the current year. He is improvident and a poor manager, but probably not worse in this respect than most of his class. Unrealized rents amount to Rs. 12 only.

[*Commissioner's remarks.*—The rent demand has fluctuated little, and all except Rs. 12 remained uncollected. The chief source of income of this estate is from forests. These receipts during the year have been exceptionally large, amounting to Rs. 3,096-10-6 against Rs. 1,156-3-0 in the preceding year. The sale of bamboos and khakers was very brisk. No large wood has been sold. The estate is now free from debt, and the Deputy Commissioner proposes releasing it at the end of the current year, by which time he hopes to have carried out certain improvements for which provision has been made in the budget for 1893-94. The question of whether the estate should be released will be referred for the Chief Commissioner's orders before long. I have been in correspondence with the Deputy Commissioner on the subject.]

(*b*) **Kamtha.**—[*Income Rs.* 74,279-4-1, *Liabilities* Nil.].—This estate was taken over eight years ago owing to the minority of the Zamindar—not on account of debt. It is in

a flourishing condition, a sum of Rs. 10,000 being invested in Government Securities, and there is a balance of over Rs. 46,000 in hand. Receipts were as under compared with last year :—

	1891-92.			1892-93.		
	Rs.	a.	p.	Rs.	a.	p.
Rents	74,951	7	2	69,430	6	0
Sir	1,577	8	8	1,461	8	0
Forests	2,144	6	3	2,115	1	6
Sair, &c.	78	5	6	32	4	9
Interest on Government Security ...	388	9	4	388	9	4
Miscellaneous	2,989	8	3	851	6	6
Total ...	82,129	13	2	74,279	4	1
Advances recovered	3,575	0	0	825	0	0
GRANT TOTAL ...	85,704	13	2	75,104	4	1

The only fluctuations that call for remark are those under the heads "Rents" and "Miscellaneous." The decrease under the head "Rents" is due to the failure on the part of some inferior proprietors and thekedars to pay the estate demands. The matter is engaging attention, and it is hoped that the large outstanding balance may be greatly reduced, as most of the debtors are now able to make the required payments on the profits of the kharif harvest.

The decrease under the head Miscellaneous is mainly due to the fact that last year's receipts were swelled by the proceeds of large sales of grain, while in the year under report it was not found necessary to make any such sales.

The expenditure under various heads, as compared with that of the previous year, stands as shown below :—

	1891-92.			1892-93.		
	Rs.	a.	p.	Rs.	a.	p.
Government demand and cesses ...	53,477	14	10	53,457	14	10
Contribution for management ...	1,615	15	4	1,642	9	7
Village servants	723	8	0	1,013	0	0
Cost of management	2,400	10	6	2,527	14	8
Personal expenses	4,464	8	0	1,858	0	0
Education	1,915	13	4	967	6	9
Miscellaneous	2,600	8	0	5,314	0	3
Advances recoverable	4,100	0	0	500	0	0
Investment in purchase of land, &c. ...	113	0	0	.....		
Investment of tacavi loans ...	.....			5,051	0	0
Investment in estate improvements ..	6,021	0	1	11,815	4	11
Total ...	77,432	14	1	83,647	3	0

The decrease in personal expenses is due to the fact that the figures for the former year include a sum of Rs. 3,000, being the cost of the ward's tour in Upper India, and a sum of Rs. 800 given to his step-mother, Sarja Bai, for the expenses of a journey to Jagannath and back. In the year under report no such expenses were incurred. Under the head "Education" the ward's personal allowance was formerly shown; now only the pay of the tutor is shown under this head: hence the apparent decrease.

There has been a satisfactory start made with the business of granting tacavi loans on the estate. Over Rs. 5,000 were distributed in this manner, and such loans appear to be gladly accepted. The amount spent in estate improvements is considerably more than in the previous year. It comprises the cost of construction of 7 new pucca wells, repairs to 2 old wells, and the deepening of 2 others which contained insufficient water; 3 reservoirs have been deepened and 17 tanks repaired.

The balance shown as arrears in the previous year was Rs. 3,639, out of which Rs. 1,959 had not been realized by the close of the year. The amount is due almost entirely from thekadars and inferior proprietors, some of whom are habitual and deliberate defaulters.

The orders of the Chief Commissioner, in regard to the preparation of the grain accounts and as to the offer of commutation, have been brought into effect during the year under report, but commuted payment has in no case been made by any tenant.

The amount of grain advanced to tenants during the year was 897 khandis. There is a considerable amount of grain in stock, but as it is contemplated to establish a grain-lending centre at Kamtha, there is not more on hand than can be usefully dealt with.

The conduct of the ward has not been altogether satisfactory, but the Deputy Commissioner has no serious fault to find with him. He is at an age when management is peculiarly difficult, and it is impossible to expect a youth of over 20 and in his position patiently to continue his studies for the Middle School Examination. He failed in that examination during the year under report, and has not since devoted himself with much energy to his studies. It is expected that the estate will be released from management at the close of the current year.

[*Commissioner's remarks*—

	Rs.	a.	p.
The rent demand for the year was ...	73,974	10	6
The arrear demand was ...	4,912	9	3
And the collections were—			
on account of year ...	66,545	12	9
on account of previous year ...	2,878	9	3
Leaving balances—			
on account of year ...	7,428	13	9
on account of previous year ...	2,034	0	0

The arrear balances are much larger than the previous year, and this is unsatisfactory indicating want of care on the part of the Manager. The Deputy Commissioner writes—

> "The decrease under the head 'rents' is due to the failure on the part of some of the inferior proprietors and thekadars to pay the estate demands. The matter is engaging attention, and it is hoped that the large outstanding balances may be greatly reduced, as most of the debtors are now able to make the required payments on the profits of the kharif harvest."

Rupees 2,000 of the arrears are reported to have been collected since the close of the year.

It is satisfactory to note that a substantial amount has been spent during the year in estate improvements, consisting chiefly in improvement of water supply, *viz.*, the construction of a number of new wells and repairs to old wells and tanks. A sufficient sum has been allotted in the current year's budget to further improve the water-supply.

Cash tacavi loans were for the first time made in this estate during the year; the sum advanced was Rs. 5,000, which is a fair beginning; Rs. 8,000 has been provided for tacavi loans in the current year's budget. Grain advances are made to tenants, and it is proposed to open an additional grain centre at Ramtha itself. Old grain accounts were recalculated as laid

down in the Resolution of February 1892. The estate is held on account of minority and has no liabilities. The conduct of the ward, who is now over 20 years of age, is reported to have not been altogether satisfactory, though the Deputy Commissioner says that he has no serious fault to find with him. He is apparently anxious now to put aside his books and be free from the restraints by which he has been bound as a ward. His mother and he have asked that the estate be made over to them, and the question of its being made over when the ward attains his majority has been the subject of recent correspondence between the Deputy Commissioner and myself.]

(*a*) Salekassa.—[*Income Rs.* 1,285-8-9, *Liabilities* Nil].—This estate was taken over on account of the minority of the wards in October 1886. The estate consists of 8 villages and the area is mostly hill and forest. The income from all sources during the year under report was Rs. 1,285-8-9. The wards are two minors, whose ages are said to be respectively 18 and 16, though they do not look to me so old; they have now come to Bhandara for their studies. The younger boy is unusually bright and intelligent and gives promise of turning out well.

The mothers of the two wards live at Salekassa, and they have the Kamath of Salekassa for their maintenance. In addition to this they are allotted some yearly allowance for purchase of seed and plough cattle.

The uninvested balance at the close of the year was Rs. 917-4-4, of which Rs. 882-0-4 are in the Government Treasury, and Rs. 35-4-0 in hand. The increase is due to the improvement in forest income.

There are no arrears of rent left uncollected.

[*Commissioner's remarks.*—Rents have all been collected. The estate is a small one, but it is free from debt and is held on account of minority of the wards, both of whom have now come to Bhandara to be educated. Nothing was spent in estate improvements. In the current year's budget Rs. 150 has been provided for repairs to a tank.]

(*a*) Palkheda.—[*Income Rs.* 4,207, *Liabilities Rs.* 5,832-4-7].—This estate was taken over for indebtedness in 1886, and consists of 21 villages, of which 19 belong to inferior proprietors, 1 is leased out and 1 is under direct management. The income from all sources during the year under report was Rs. 4,207.

The expenditure under all heads amounts to Rs. 4,457-3-4. Of this Rs. 2,981 were paid as land revenue to Government, and Rs. 1,000 were spent in liquidation of debt, of which Rs. 613-4-4 have been paid towards principal, and Rs. 386-11-8 towards interest charges. As there were marriages in the ward's family, Rs. 200 were given him to defray the expenses.

The ward, who is about 42 years old, has, for his maintenance, the Kamath of Palkheda.

A sum of Rs. 199-14-0 is due on account of rents from this estate. The amounts are due from some of the inferior proprietors of the estate, who are very obstinate in paying; nothing is due from the khalsa tenants of Palkheda, which is the only khalsa village in the estate.

The balance of debt due at the close of the year was Rs. 5,832. Not more than about Rs. 1,000 a year can be paid off, and out of that about Rs. 350 goes in interest.

[*Commissioner's remarks.*—About two-thirds of the total debt of Rs. 18,520 has been paid off; the amount still remaining to be paid off is Rs. 5,832. About Rs. 1,000 a year is available for paying it off, but interest swallows up about Rs. 350, leaving only Rs. 650 for discharge of principal. Under these circumstances, little or nothing can be done at present in the way of estate improvement.

Rent collections were fairly good.]

(*a*) Raka.—[*Income Rs.* 1,126-11-0, *Liabilities Rs.* 3,337-9-6].—This estate was taken over for indebtedness and minority in October 1889; it consists of only one village. The income was Rs. 1,126, and the expenditure Rs. 1,107, of which Rs. 550 have gone to clear

the debts due to Raja Gokuldass of Jubbulpore, thus diminishing the principal by Rs. 397-14-0 as Rs. 152-2-0 was the amount due on account of interest charges.

The wards live with their mother at Raka; the eldest, whose age is now 21, knows Urdu and Marathi, the two younger ones, who are aged 13 and 9 respectively, learn Marathi in the Raka indigenous school. As the estate is indebted there are no funds available for carrying out any improvements, and great economy has to be practised in order that no default is made.

The balance uncollected at the close of the year was Rs. 5-8-0.

The amount of outstanding debt is Rs. 3,337. The debt is being cleared off by annual instalments of Rs. 550. Every year more of this is appropriated to repayment of principal and less to interest, as the principal debt becomes smaller.

[*Commissioner's remarks.*—This estate consists of only one village and is heavily in debt compared with the income. Only Rs. 5-8-0 of rents remained uncollected. The estate cannot afford any expenditure on improvements.]

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The following table shows the principal heads of income of the estate during the year:—

	Rents.	Sir land.	Forests.
	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.
Darekassa... ...	711 0 0	*Nil.*	3,096 10 6
Kamtha	69,430 6 0	1,461 8 0	2,115 1 6
Salekassa	473 8 0	*Nil.*	772 15 9
Palkheda	3,764 8 0	56 0 0	348 0 0
Raka	694 11 0	205 0 0	*Nil.*

In Darekassa and Salekassa the greater portion of the income is obtained from forests.

The Government revenue in each estate is noted below:—

	Rs. a. p.
Darekassa	353 8 0
Kamtha	53,457 14 10
Salekassa	288 8 0
Palkheda	2,981 0 0
Raka	386 12 0

It does not appear from the reports whether any special effort was made during the year to explain the provisions of Section 62 of the Tenancy Act to ordinary tenants. No occupancy tenures were apparently purchased. Rents, it would appear, are all paid in cash. The Manager has not given satisfaction, and steps have been taken to endeavour to find another one. The Kamtha ward is entitled to get back his estate when he attains his majority, which he will do in the current year (1894). This is the only large solvent estate in the district.

The Officiating Deputy Commissioner (Mr. H. M. Laurie) has taken much interest in this branch of his duty, and I consider that Court of Wards management has greatly improved since he took charge of the district. He has arranged for making cash tacavi advances for the first time and is interesting himself in trying to carry out as much in the way of estate improvement as is possible before the superintendence of the Court of Wards is withdrawn (as it may be shortly) from the Kamtha and Darekassa estates.]

BALAGHAT DISTRICT.

Mr. S. M. Chitnavis, B. C. S., Deputy Commr.

(*a*) Nansari.—[*Income Rs.* 2,300-1-6, *Liabilities* Nil].—There has been a decrease of Rs. 1,044 in the total income of the estate as compared with the previous year. The decrease occurred chiefly under "Rents" and "Miscellaneous." That under the former is due to collection of arrears amounting to Rs. 219, belonging to 1890-91, during the year 1891-92; and that under the latter to the starting of grain dealings on behalf of the Court of Wards in the estate villages, and retention of the produce of the home-farm for that purpose.

Improvements were also effected in several villages during the year under notice, and a large amount spent. Only Rs. 29-6-6 on account of arrears of rent are to be recovered, and steps are being taken for their realization.

Grain transaction has been started in this estate in Mauzah Dadia and Karanja. The balance at the close of the previous year was 101 khandies. The total quantity of grain received during the year under report is 526 khandies and 5 kuroos; out of this 100 khandies were purchased from Raja Gokuldass, and the remaining quantity was the production of Sir land and receipt from cultivators.

The ward has enjoyed sound health throughout the year. He has passed the Middle School Examination during the year under notice, and is prosecuting his studies at Nagpur for the Entrance Examination. He has completed his twenty-first year. He is anxious to resume the management of his estate, and the matter will be separately reported upon.

[*Commissioner's remarks.*—The rent collections were good, only a small balance remaining uncollected.

Though this is a small estate and funds are limited, it is noticed that something has been expended in estate improvements and in making tacavi advances. Some provision has also been made in the current year's budget on these accounts.

The estate is free from debt. The ward of this estate has completed his twenty-first year and is anxious to resume management. The Deputy Commissioner intends reporting on this separately.]

(*a*) Badgaon.—[*Income Rs.* 1,986-13-6, *Liabilities* Nil].—The total income of the estate during the year under report appears outwardly to have fallen off, but in reality it has increased, as would appear from the following figures :—

	1891-92.	1892-93.	Difference.
	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.
Rent ...	1,040 10 9	1,016 2 0	—24 8 9
Sir land ...	770 13 9	910 11 6	+139 13 9
Forest ...	50 0 0	60 0 0	+10 0 0
Miscellaneous ...	516 13 6	...	—516 13 6
Total ...	2,378 6 0	1,986 13 6	...

The decrease was chiefly under the head "Miscellaneous", the whole amount shown against which, during the last year, was obtained by sale of the produce of Sir land to Raja Gokuldass and by sale of old cattle; owing to the opening of grain dealings on behalf of the estate there has been no income under the said head during the year under report. The uninvested balance of last year was spent in making taccavi advances to the cultivators.

The allowance to the wards has been increased from Rs. 15 to Rs. 30 a month as sanctioned in the Secretary to the Chief Commissioner's letter No. 3153, datedthe 2nd September 1892. The wards live in Burha for their education. They were living with one of their relatives, but as that was found inconvenient, a house has been purchased for them, and till the negotiations were completed, one was hired for a month: hence the increase.

The unrealized balance of rents is Rs. 8 only, and will be shortly recovered. The quantity of grain in stock at the end of the previous year was 16 khandies. During the year under report 150 khandies were purchased from Raja Gokuldass, out of which about 148 khandies have been advanced to cultivators, and about 13 khandies were spent in other ways, leaving a balance of 4½ khandies at the close of the year under report. The old grain debt accounts of this estate were examined, and fresh bonds taken from five ryots on the principles embodied in the Chief Commissioner's Resolution No. 516-50, dated the 19th February 1892.

The estate is free from debts. The wards have enjoyed good health throughout the year under report. Their ages are 15 and 13, respectively. They are learning English in the Burha

Middle School and are well reported on by their master. A private tutor has been engaged on Rs. 5 per mensem as was proposed last year. The wards have a sister about 9 or 10 years old, and according to custom she will have to be married this year, and a sum of Rs. 500 will have to be spent on this account.

[*Commissioner's remarks.*—All rents were collected except Rs. 3 remaining at the end of the year. It is satisfactory to note the comparatively large amount expended in tacavi loans. Rupees 50 was spent in purchasing and reconstructing a house for the wards. Provision has been made in the current year's budget for estate improvements and tacavi advances.

The estate is free from debt. In this estate (as well as in Nansari) grain has been advanced to the tenants, and some old grain debts were recalculated on the principles laid down in Chief Commissioner's Resolution No. 516-50 of the 19th February 1892.]

(*a*) Khursari.—[*Income Rs.* 1,299-7-0, *Liabilities Rs.* 3,259-10-9].—The estate consists of one village only.

The total receipts have decreased from Rs. 1,414 to Rs. 1,299 as compared with the previous year, owing to some of the tenants not having paid in their rents on account of bad rabi harvests.

During the year under report a sum of Rs. 450 was remitted to Raja Seth Gokuldass. Out of this Rs. 251-0-3 were paid as principal and Rs. 198-15-9 as interest. The balance of the debt now stands at Rs. 3,260.

The financial position of the estate cannot be improved, and hence nothing can be paid beyond the fixed instalment, and there seems thus no hope of the estate being free from debt earlier than 1901 as reported last year.

The finances of the estate do not allow of any outlay on improvements or tacavi advances.

[*Commissioner's remarks.*—This is a poor estate consisting of only one village and has a comparatively large debt to pay. Rent collections were good. The funds are too low to admit of anything being laid out at present in improving the estate or making tacavi advances.]

(*a*) Linga.—[*Income Rs.* 5,205-5-6, *Liabilities* Nil].—The total income of the estate during the year under report was Rs. 6,416-8-9 against Rs. 9,090-2-3 in the previous year. The increase under this head in the previous year was due to the realization of Rs. 5,315 from a debtor of the estate.

There was an increase in receipts under the heads "Sir," "Forest," "Other Sair," "Miscellaneous" and a decrease in "Rents" and "Interest on other loans." The decrease under the head "Rents" was nominal, as the collections during the year 1891-92 included arrears of 1890-91 amounting to Rs. 139.

Rupees 1,225 were invested in tacavi advances against Rs. 1,750 in the preceding year, and Rs. 1,000 provided in the budget. Eight-anna shares in three villages were purchased during the year from the Kinhi (No. I.) estate.

The water-supply of the village of Linga was improved by digging two wells, one in Koshtipura and another in the Bazar-chowk at a cost of Rs. 284.

The total outlay on improvements amounted to Rs. 800-0-3.

Grain transactions were started in the estate villages, Linga and Khalkhatta, during the year under report, and 312 khandies of Dhan were purchased at a cost of Rs. 950 for that purpose, of which Rs. 825 have been paid and the balance is due to Kinhi (No. I) estate, from which 112 khandies were purchased for the village of Khalkhatta.

Notices for enhancements were served on five tenants and ended in enhancements by the Civil Court.

The wards, Rama Bhao and Narain Bhao, aged 14 and 6 respectively, have enjoyed good health during the year. Rama Bhao has been attending the Linga Vernacular School. As no suitable lodging could be procured for the wards in Burha they were not brought there for

their education. Now that a house has been hired the wards will be brought there, and will attend the 1st grade Middle School and prosecute their studies under the supervision of the Manager. The widows of the late Pandu Mokasi are still quarrelling and are separate in dwelling and food.

The Sir land assigned to them for their maintenance has been taken under the management of the Court of Wards, and cash allowances allowed to them as already stated. There is no hope of a reconciliation between the ladies. The senior widow, Musstt. Souka, has contracted debts to the extent of Rs. 1,300. She has been constantly praying for her debts to be paid off by the Courts of Wards, but her prayers have been rejected, and she has been warned against selling the jewels or furniture in her custody.

[*Commissioner's remarks.*—Rent collections were good, the balance remaining uncollected not being large, though the arrears were larger than in the preceding year. The most important transaction in this estate during the year was the purchase of an 8-anna share in three villages sold by Kinhi I. A fair amount was spent in tacavi loans and estate improvements and steps were taken to assist tenants by advances of grain. The water supply was improved by the digging of two new wells. The estate has no liabilities.]

(*a*) **Kinhi No. I.**—[*Income Rs.* 7,721-2-7, *Liabilities* Nil].—The total income derived from all sources was Rs. 7,721-2-7. This amount includes Rs. 5,050 on account of the price of 8-anna shares of Khalkhatta, Bora and Bagholi sold to the Linga estate at the close of the previous year. Deducting the latter sum from the total income, the net receipts come to Rs. 2,671-2-7 against Rs. 2,940-11-0 in the previous year. The decrease under this head during the year under report is partly due to the sale of eight 8-anna shares in the three villages belonging to this estate, and partly to the revenue of several villages of the estate being realized at plough rates, the demand on account of which being not fixed, was consequently fluctuating.

At the close of the previous year there was a balance of 30 khandies of grain. The quantity since recovered was 111 khandies and 16 kuroos. Thus we had about 141 khandies and 16 kuroos. Out of this 112 khandies and 5¾ kuroos were sold to the Linga estate, and the remaining quantity was spent in paying off the wages of servants. There thus remained no grain in stock at the close of the year under report.

The estate has become free from debt.

The ward is stated to be in his 18th year. He is a well-behaved lad and enjoyed good health.

[*Commissioner's remarks.*—This estate is now free from debt, the remaining portion of its liabilities having been liquidated by the sale of certain villages. Rent collections have been good. Rupees 171-2-9 was spent in sinking a well. No tacavi advances were made, but some provision has been made in the current year's budget for such expenditure and for estate improvements, now that there is no debt.]

(*a*) **Kinhi (No. II).**—[*Income Rs.* 3,338-2-2, *Liabilities Rs.* 3,209-8-6].—A large decrease in income is due to the inclusion in the previous year's statement of the price fetched by sale of three villages, and of the loan raised from Raja Seth Gokuldass. Besides this, full jama of the villages sold has not been collected from the purchasers, as it was not fixed up to the close of the year under notice.

The following table shows the decrease or increase under the several heads of receipts during the past two years :—

	1891-92.			1892-93.		
	Rs.	a.	p.	Rs.	a.	p.
Rent	1,837	6	9	1,203	12	6
Forests	1,225	9	0	1,902	6	6
Other sair and manorial dues ...	160	12	0	162	0	0
Miscellaneous (exclusive of sale proceeds of three villages)	47	2	4	69	15	2

The marked decrease under the head "Rents" has been explained above. It is also due to the yearly fluctuations in the demands on account of unsettled villages, the receipts from which are not fixed.

During the year under report a sum of Rs. 600 was paid to the ward for the celebration of the marriages of his children.

During the year under report a sum of Rs. 1,007-11-0 was paid towards the liquidation of the principal due to Raja Seth Gokuldass, Lakhan and Gunput, and Rs. 219-4-9 as interest to Raja Gokuldass. There thus remain Rs. 3,209-8-6 to be paid to Raja Seth Gokuldass, and the amount will be paid off in three or four years.

The ward still frequently interferes in the management of the estate and has to be constantly restrained.

[*Commissioner's remarks.*—This estate, which was heavily involved at the time of taking over management, is now in a fair way of liquidating its debt entirely in another three years. The rent collections in this estate were fairly good. It is not yet possible to do much in the way of estate improvements. Rupees 120, however, have been provided in the current year's budget for sinking a new well to improve the water-supply.]

General.

Paragraph 12 of the Chief Commissioner's Review on the Report of the previous year appears to have been overlooked by the Deputy Commissioner, and Statement VII has not been enlarged in order to show the progress made in converting grain rents into cash rents, and to what extent tenants have parted with or acquired occupancy rights during the year. The Deputy Commissioner has been asked to furnish a fresh Statement VII for each estate embodying the information. The statements will be transmitted when received. It does not appear that rents are paid in kind in any of the estates.

The chief heads of income of the estates are noted below :—

	Rents.			Sir land.			Forests.		
	Rs.	a.	p.	Rs.	a.	p.	Rs.	a.	p.
Nansari ...	1,911	2	3	78	4	0	26	12	0
Badgaon ...	1,016	2	0	910	11	6	60	0	0
Kinhi I ...	1,199	15	4	*Nil.*			1,047	7	6
Linga ...	2,290	15	3	1,443	8	0	730	9	0
Khursari ...	748	6	6	513	14	6	37	2	0
Kinhi II ...	1,203	12	6	*Nil.*			1,902	6	6

From the above it will be seen that a large portion of the income in Kinhi I and Kinhi II is obtained from forests. No Sir land is cultivated in these two estates. With the exception of Nansari a considerable proportion of the income of the other estates is obtained from Sir land.

The following table shows the Government revenue assessed on each estate :—

	Rs.	a.	p.
Nansari	1,104	11	3
Badgaon	828	0	7
Kinhi I	923	13	6
Linga	1,472	10	8
Khursari	723	1	11
Kinhi II	1,182	9	7

Management has been generally good in this district. Arrears of rent are comparatively small, and a good deal has been done to assist tenants by advances of grain and cash, while such estate improvements as funds admit of have not been overlooked. The Manager is said to have worked well, and the Deputy Commissioner has taken an interest in this branch of his work.

Mr. M. W. Fox-Strangways, I. C. S., Deputy Commr.

(*b*) **Mohrenga.**—[*Income Rs.* 2,240-14-3, *Liabilities Rs.* 8,799-1-1].—Owing to the indebtedness of the proprietor, this estate was brought under the management of the Court of Wards on the 21st August 1885. It consists of two villages, Mohrenga and Kholidabri, both situated in the Simga Tahsil. The proprietors are three minors—Sarjoo Prasad, Bansgopal and Lakshmi Prasad, Baniyas of Raipur, aged 19, 15 and 13 years respectively. They have enjoyed good health during the year. The eldest boy looks after cultivation of Sir land in Mohrenga and left school many years ago. The youngest attends the Nawapara Branch School and has made fair progress in Hindi. The third boy was married some four years ago and is now living with his father-in-law in the Berars.

The receipts were Rs. 2,340-14-3 as compared with Rs. 2,737-1-3 last year, the decrease being almost entirely under the head "Miscellaneous."

For want of funds, the full instalment of debt of Rs. 1,700 has not been paid during the year. The sum paid amounted to Rs. 1,000 only—see heads 5 and 10.

Last year, the sale of the minors' house at Rajim was set aside by the Chief Commissioner, and sale proceeds together with charges for repairs were ordered to be refunded. These orders were duly carried out last year.

A grain store-house at Mohrenga has been constructed during the year at a cost of Rs. 74.

The land revenue demand for the year has been realized, with the exception of Rs. 0-12-6, which is in train of realization.

The Mahua and Char crops were sold for Rs. 100; the same amount was realized last year.

In this estate, advances of seed grain (Dhan) are made to ryots. The interest charged on advances is 12½ per cent.

The conservancy arrangements of the estate are reported to be satisfactory. The supply of water in Mohrenga is derived from tanks and is sufficient for all purposes. There is a scarcity of water in Kholadabri, and the tank there requires deepening, but as the estate is heavily involved in debt nothing has yet been done in this direction.

All rents in this estate are paid in cash.

[*Commissioner's remarks.*—This is a very small estate. It has been under the management of the Court of Wards since August 1885, or just 8 years. The liabilities then amounted to Rs. 10,327-11-9, while they now are Rs. 8,799-1-1. The income is small, and it is not always possible to meet the debt instalments fully, so that there is absolutely no money for improvements, though the water-supply in Kholadabri is scarce, and the tank requires deepening. The rents were all fully collected except a small sum in Kholadabri of Rs. 0-12-6. Seed-grain to a fair amount has again this year been advanced to cultivators, and a store-house for grain belonging to the estate has been erected during the past year at Mohrenga at a cost of Rs. 89, of which Rs. 15 had been paid in the previous year.

Notice of enhancement of rent under Section 56 of the Tenancy Act was served on a cultivator. The case is still before the Court. I think that if, after enquiry, the Deputy Commissioner finds that it is very necessary to improve the water-supply at Kholadabri, he should arrange to obtain a postponement of one or perhaps two Kists of repayment of debt and utilize the money in effecting such improvement].

(*b*) **Bindranawagarh.**—[*Income Rs.* 85,287-1-2, *Liabilities* Nil.].—This large estate lies between the Khariar Zamindari and the Schawa Pargana, in the south-east of the Raipur District. The Deobhog Talooka of the estate in the extreme south, the valley of the

Pairee River and the northern portion of the estate bordering on the Phingesar Zamindari are open and fairly well cultivated. The rest is almost wholly forest, but a considerable number of villages have been recently established, and the area under cultivation is expanding every year. In the wild parts of the estate, the inhabitants are Gonds, Bhunjiya and Kamars, but in the plains there are mixed castes, with some good agricultural families, who have of late permanently settled themselves in villages, and more are coming from the Khalsa every year. The forests of the estate are very valuable. They contain teak and sal in abundance. The total area of the zamindari is about 1,480 square miles. The actual area under cultivation cannot be given, as the whole estate has not been surveyed as yet, although the survey was began in 1890-91. It will take at least two years to complete. There are 436 villages in this estate. "Protected status" was conferred on the Gaontias of 81 villages. There are no inferior or sub-proprietors. The Patwari Circles are 13 in number. Of the 436 villages, 100 are managed Kham, 69 granted rent free, 215 leased out to thekadars, while 52 are waste or held by non-cultivating castes.

As already reported, the term of settlement of this estate expired on the 31st March 1891. Statistics for the purpose of effecting a new settlement were prepared this year. The present term of settlement has been extended to the 31st March 1894, under sanction received from the Commissioner of the Division.

This is one of the largest non-feudatory zamindaris and has been under direct management for the last 11 years. The zamindarin, a young widow (Mussamat Ranikuar Bai, aged about 23), has enjoyed good health throughout the year. A female teacher on a salary of Rs. 30 has been employed as companion and instructress to the zamindarin, who is reported to have made good progress under Mussamat Radha Bai's (tutoress) tuition. She can now read and write Hindi, and is able to keep her private accounts. Mussamat Radha Bai has lately fallen sick, and there is very little hope for her recovery. Arrangements will be made to replace her as soon as possible. The zamindarin Mussamat Ranikuar Bai's conduct and character are exemplary.

Lal Chhatra Sahai, Mokasdar of Chhura, was recognized as the next reversionary heir to the estate under sanction received in Junior Secretary to the Chief Commissioner's No. 5750 S., dated 27th November 1891. He is also an Honorary Magistrate. During the year, proposals were made to increase his maintenance allowance from Rs. 200 to Rs. 300, but the matter has not been finally settled as yet. The Deputy Commissioner has been called on to consider the possibility of giving him some share in the administration of the estate. During a brief visit paid to the estate in May, he was not much impressed with his intelligence or character. But if settlement operations are undertaken this year, an attempt will be made to associate him in the work, and this will show what he is worth. The finances of this estate are in a flourishing condition.

The total receipts of the year were slightly less than those of the preceding year, being Rs. 93,449 against Rs. 94,615.

There has been an increase of Rs. 1,091-1-1 under the head "Forests," a fall in the receipts from grass being more than counterbalanced by an increase in the receipts from Hurra.

The orders that were given last year regarding free "Nistar" have been fully carried out, *i. e.*, all tenants and persons who permanently reside within the zamindari are permitted to take for their private use, free of charge, such forest produce as they may reasonably require.

Free grazing is also allowed, but no Gaontia, thekedar, tenant or inhabitant of any village in the zamindari is permitted to sell any forest produce either within the zamindari or to export the same except under a proper license.

The usual sales of excise monopolies were held during the year. There are in all 48 out-stills. This is a large number in proportion to the number of inhabited villages.

The large Taccavi advances made last year have been recovered in part. Last year's advances were practically the first made, and no money was, therefore, due for recovery last year.

The expenditure of the year was Rs. 1,15,741 against Rs. 91,326 in the preceding year.

The Forest establishment has been increased during the year. More forest licenses were purchased than last year, and thus the expenditure under Head 3 increased by Rs. 2,034-7-9.

During the year under report, the expenditure on public works amounted to Rs. 12,083-2-11 against Rs. 6,957-12-10, showing an increase of Rs. 5,125-6-1. The several works that were executed during the year are detailed in Statement No. VII. Many of them, such, for instance, as monsoon repairs, can hardly be properly termed improvements. A detailed scheme for works of improvement has now been drawn up in consultation with the Executive Engineer, C. S. Road Division, and an expenditure of Rs. 43,000 has been provided for in the current year's budget. The chief items are a large house for the zamindarin at Paragaon, a number of wells and tanks and a road running from Rajim to Deobhog, through the whole length of the estate. The survey for the road was commenced during, the year, and a start was made with the house.

The subject of Taccavi advances has received due attention during the last two years. As shown in the annual report, Rs. 6,368 were advanced last year. This year Rs. 7,965 were advanced, which shows an increase of Rs. 1,597.

Owing to the abolition of the Zamindari Police, revenue establishment has increased considerably.

Under orders of the Commissioner, Chhattisgarh Division, Rs. 15,000 have been paid for contribution towards the Raipur Rajkumar College.

The Patwari staff of this estate consists of 13 Patwaris and a Revenue Inspector. Thirty villages were surveyed and mapped out last year; 15 this year—45 in all.

The work of demarcation of the boundaries of this estate was performed by a special establishment of two amins; 157 villages which are large and important, have already been demarcated and the rest are jungly, and no demarcation is therefore necessary.

The Dispensary at Paragaon continues to be popular, and the Hospital Assistant in charge is liked by the people. The Hospital Assistant travels in five important perganas.

Efforts have been made from time to time to extend the cultivation of sugarcane, wheat, linseed, gram, tilli and pulses. In nearly 140 villages, the crops noted above have been sown during the year. A good deal of opposition is always shown to any sowing of rabi crops, but a beginning has now been made. Tilli and linseed are at present very large items of export from the Kandadangur and Deobhag perganas.

As already remarked last year, Raja Seth Gokuldass has advanced seed-grain valued at Rs. 22,138 in this estate. The arrangement made by the said Raja for the collection of seed-grain is reported by the Manager to be not, on the whole, satisfactory, and the Deputy Commissioner intends taking up the subject and endeavouring to place it on a satisfactory footing.

[*Commissioner's remarks.*—The position of this large estate continues to be very satisfactory, and the income, under judicious management, has been improving year by year. There is no pressure of high rents, and I think that the agriculturists are well treated both in this respect and in the matter of their forest Nistar. I trust that the Deputy Commissioner will not allow any further delay in pushing on the settlement of the estate, the term of the last settlement having expired as far back as the 31st March 1891.

Taccavi advances have been freely made, but comparatively little has been done to improve the estate during the year. This matter has, however, now been taken up, and a regular scheme of works has been drawn up; so that I hope to see a good deal of money expended during the current year for the benefit of the estate. The present Deputy Commissioner is paying a good deal of attention to this matter.]

(*a*) **Bathena.**—[*Income Rs.* 1,297-7-0, *Liabilities Rs.* 5,850-6-8].—Owing to the indebtedness of the proprietor, this estate was brought under management of the Court of Wards on the 13th November 1885. It consists of three villages, Bathena, Thakuraintola and Bohardih. Bathena and Thakuraintola are held in Muafi tenure on account of good services rendered to Government. Bohardih is assessed to land revenue. Poorun Singh is the eldest proprietor of the estate. His age is about 26 years. He lives in Bohardih. His health has been good during the year. His younger brother, Shyan Singh, died the year before last, leaving two minor sons, Than Singh and Shivraj Singh, aged about 3 and 2 years. Mutation has been effected in favour of the minor sons during the year under report.

Last year's income amounted to Rs. 1,295-10-9. That of the present year comes to Rs. 1,297-7-0, showing an increase of Rs. 1-12-3.

The expenditure for the year under report as compared with the preceding one is given in the following table:—

Head of income.	1891-92.	1892-93.	Increase.	Decrease.
	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.
1. Interest on debts	481 10 4	304 4 8	...	177 5 8
2. Government Revenue and cesses	437 13 0	437 13 0	...	...
3. Repayment of debts... ...	3,954 12 11	445 11 4	...	3,509 1 7
4. Rates levied for management of Wards' estates... ..	25 11 1	34 11 6	9 0 5	...
5. Miscellaneous	144 13 6	118 3 5	...	26 10 1
Total ...	5,044 12 10	1,340 11 11	...	...

As remarked last year, the Khuji Estate was ordered to be relinquished. The debt due to this estate was borrowed from the surplus funds of the Bindra-Nawagarh Estate, and paid to the Khuji estate last year, whereas no such large sums were borrowed and paid during the year under report. The fixed instalment of debt, with interest, was paid out of the net income during this year. This explains the decreases under heads 1 and 3.

The conservancy arrangements and the water-supply are reported to be in fairly satisfactory condition.

The well at Bathena has now been cleaned out by the tenants themselves, and is reported to contain a sufficient supply of water.

Rents are all paid in cash.

[*Commissioner's remarks.*—This is a very small, unimportant estate. The income is small and its sources are (1) Rent collections from cultivators, and (2) mehrai. Rents were fully paid by tenants and without difficulty. No improvements could be effected, as the liabilities, though considerably reduced under careful management, are still heavy, namely, Rs. 5,850-6-8. Nearly Rs. 2,000 have been paid off since the estate came under management in November 1885. There is a large number of occupancy tenants in this estate.]

(*b*) **Bahera.**—[*Income Rs.* 1,426-6-9, *Liabilities* Nil].—This estate consists of three villages, Bahera, Bharenga and Parsulidela. On account of the indebtedness of the proprietor, this estate was brought under direct management on the 27th December 1885. The whole of the liabilities have been paid off in full, and the estate has already been ordered to be made over to its proprietor. On more than two occasions the Deputy Commissioner has summoned him to appear before him to take over formal charge and to execute an indemnity bond, but up to date he has not appeared. He has been summoned again, and as soon as he appears the formal charge of the estate will be made over to him. The young proprietor is addicted to ganja smoking, and is a man of weak and unreliable character. He is guided by his uncle who, it is said, is unscrupulous, and wishes to buy the estate himself when the young man takes over charge of the same.

The ryots of the estate are mostly Satnami Chamars who give considerable trouble in matters connected with the management of the estate.

The whole of the liabilities due by the estate were paid off in full last year.

Two hundred and eleven Khandis of Dhan (seed grain), including interest at 12½ per cent., were recovered from tenants, and the same quantity has again been advanced this year. There are no arrears on account of seed grain.

The conservancy arrangements of the estate are fairly satisfactory and the water-supply is ample. It is chiefly derived from tanks and nullahs.

In this estate all the rent collections are made in cash.

[*Commissioner's remarks.*—The management of this estate, notwithstanding that it is a small one, has been attended with some difficulty, owing to the turbulent character of the cultivators, who are almost all Satnami Chamars, and also because the proprietor is himself not very amenable to orders, and is subject to evil influences. Orders have been received to relinquish the management, as all the liabilities have been liquidated, and this will now be done. The accounts shew a small uninvested balance in hand of Rs. 479-4-10.]

(*a*) Parsada.—[*Income Rs.* 666-13-3, *Liabilities Rs.* 1,150-4-8].—In this estate there is only one village, Parsada, which is situated on the banks of the Mahanaddi river. It was brought under Court of Wards' management on account of the indebtedness of the proprietor in 1886. The proprietor is one Buldeo Joshi, a Chhattisgarh Brahmin, aged about 56. He belongs to a very old and respectable family, and is reported to be well behaved and liked by his tenants generally.

The income of the present year is compared with that of last year in the following table :—

Heads.	1891-92.	1892-93.
	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.
Rents	682 0 9	630 4 6
Forests (grass)	111 10 0	28 8 9
Mehrai	8 0 0	8 0 0
Total ...	801 10 9	666 13 3

A certain portion of the fallow land in the village was broken up by the tenants last year, and a sum of Rs. 15-12-0 was realized as rent, while this year they have abandoned this land and paid no rent. The tenants refused payment of patwari cess under a misapprehension as to their rights which has now been removed, and it is hoped that the full demand under this head will be realized ere long.

The total expenditure under the several heads amounted to Rs. 694-9-3 against Rs. 777-10-11 in the preceding year, showing a decrease of Rs. 83-1-8.

As funds were not available, the full instalment of debt was not paid during the year under report.

The conservancy arrangements of the village are reported to be fairly satisfactory. The water-supply is derived from the Mahanaddi river on whose eastern bank and in close proximity the village of Parsada is situated. The people of the village appear to be contented with the management of the Court of Wards.

There is a small tract of jungle, covering an area of 57·75 acres, which has been reserved by the Court of Wards for the last three years. It contains harra, achar, mahooa, saja and sena trees, but the trees are all young and unfit to fell. The rights of tenants to nistar are fully respected. The tenants of the estate have been accustomed from a long time past to pay their rents in cash. The orders regarding the rights of "occupancy" were fully explained to tenants of the estate last year, but they have made no applications to the Collector on the subject.

[*Commissioner's remarks.*—Considering that this estate consists of but one village, and that the only sources of income are (1) tenants' rents, (2) sale of grass, (3) mehrai, and that the receipts from head 2 are very precarious ones, depending entirely, as they do, on the conditions of the year being favourable or otherwise, the amount of debt that has been liquidated since the Government assumed management in March 1886 (namely Rs. 720-4-7) is very satisfactory. The balance to be paid off is only Rs. 1,150-4-8. Rents were collected without difficulty, although there was some difficulty experienced by tenants refusing to pay the Patwari cess owing to some misapprehension, which, however, the Deputy Commissioner has now removed. The income is small, and when this is considered, the management of the estate has been creditable].

(*a*) Patan.—[*Income Rs.* 2,145-5-0, *Liabilities Rs.* 4,598-6-4].—This estate was brought under direct management on the 24th March 1887, owing to the indebtedness of the proprietor. The estate consists of four villages (including the hamlet of Khorpa).

Patan and Khorpa are situated in the Raipur District, and Neosa and Madanpur in the Bilaspur District.

Twelve annas share in the villages of Patan and Khorpa and eight annas share in the villages of Neosa and Madanpur are owned by the minor proprietors, and the rest by Balwant Rao and Joodaman, Brahmins of Patan. The entire villages are managed by the Court of Wards, who pay the co-sharers their proportion of the profits.

The civil suit referred to in last year's report has now finally been disposed of by the Court of the Judicial Commissioner, and a decree has been passed in favour of the Court of Wards. Thus the shares noted above are now the sole property of the minors.

When the estate was brought under direct management there were believed to be no co-sharers. Subsequently, nearly half of the estate has been successfully claimed by other persons, hence the profits of the estate have been reduced by nearly one-half, and the fixed instalment of debt, as originally settled, has not been paid in full since 1890.

The minor proprietors are Sadasheo Rao and Gopal Rao. The former is about 18 years of age and was married some four years ago. He has got two children; he left school some two years ago, and is now living with his mother in Raipur. The latter is about 15 years old; he has also left school and is now employed as a Patwari on Rs. 7 a month in the Drug Tahsil.

Both the minors have enjoyed good health during the year. Their conduct is not altogether satisfactory.

The income of the year fell from Rs. 7,845 to Rs. 2,165.

	1891-92.			1892-93.			Increase.			Decrease.		
	Rs.	a.	p.	Rs.	a.	p.	Rs.	a.	p.	Rs.	a.	p.
1. Village rental ...	2,358	3	3	1,776	10	0	...			581	9	3
2. Grazing dues ...	104	10	0	66	6	6	...			38	3	6
3. Mehrai ...	34	0	0	46	0	0	12	0	0	...		
4. Miscellaneous ...	258	3	6	256	4	6	...			1	15	0
5. Debts borrowed ...	5,050	0	0	...			...			5,050	0	0
6. Advances recovered	40	0	0	20	0	0	...			20	0	0
Total ...	7,845	0	9	2,165	5	0	12	0	0	5,691	11	9

As remarked last year, this estate owed a large sum to the Khuji estate which was ordered to be made over to its proprietor, and to pay off the liabilities due to that estate, a sum of Rs. 5,050-0-0 was borrowed from the surplus funds of the Bindra-Nawagarh estate last year. No such debt has been incurred during the year under report.

The whole demand on account of land revenue (excepting Rs. 55-8-2) has been realized. The small arrears, as shown above, are in train of realization. Rupees 59-0-0 on account of arrears for the past year were on an enquiry found to be irrecoverable, and with the sanction of the Commissioner of the Division, this amount has been written off (see column 9 of the statement).

The expenditure was Rs. 2,340-0-0 as compared with Rs. 7,441 in the previous year.

The sanitary arrangements of the estate are reported to be fairly satisfactory. The water-supply in all the villages is ample.

All the rents are paid in cash in this estate.

[*Commissioner's remarks.*—There is nothing much to add to this report. The repayment of the estate liabilities is not very rapid, but all that can be done with the means at the disposal of the Deputy Commissioner for this purpose is being done. The position of the estate is, I consider, satisfactory. Rents were realized without difficulty, though Rs. 55-8-2 are in arrears. The amount is small and will be now recovered].

(*a*) Gandai.—[*Income Rs.* 32,358-2-0, *Liabilities Rs.* 15,493-5-3].—This estate was brought under direct management on the 13th May 1889, owing to mismanagement and the heavy indebtedness of the proprietress. It lies to the south of the Sabaspur-Lohara zamindari, and covers a large area both of plain and hill country. The plain villages are flourishing and fertile, and the jungle tracts of the estate are valuable. There is a large supply of the inferior kinds of wood, but the teak is not yet fit for felling. There are mines of iron and red ochre below and above the Ghâts.

The estate consists of 77 whole villages and 10 dakhlees or hamlets, and the whole area is about 96,876 acres or 151 square miles. Of this only about 40 square miles are situated in the plain country below the hills. The more valuable villages occupy about an equal area. Some 9,000 acres are covered by hills, and the rest is clear country mixed with jungle. The whole estate has not as yet been surveyed, consequently the exact area under cultivation has not been ascertained. The majority of the population consists of Gonds and other aborigines.

During the year under report, orders were received from the Chief Commissioner that the rival claimants to this zamindari should be referred to the Civil Courts, and that the estate will continue to be managed by the Court of Wards till the matter is decided. Up to date none of the claimants have filed any suit.

Receipts rose from Rs. 27,529 to Rs. 32,893.

There was a large increase under the head "Forests," which is attributed by the Manager to better management and careful supervision on the part of the Assistant Manager and his subordinates. The absence of cholera has also, no doubt, helped to raise the revenue.

Up to date no one has been recognized as owner of this estate, hence no Poshak allowance has been drawn this year, therefore there is a falling off of Rs. 32 under head No. 15.

More ganja and opium were consumed in this estate during this year than in the previous one, hence the receipts under this head increased.

Expenditure increased from Rs. 24,804 to Rs. 28,822.

As funds were available, a sum of Rs. 2,607-12-1 has been paid (head No. 7) towards the liquidation of debts. This payment has reduced the liabilities of the estate to Rs. 15,493-5-3.

It is satisfactory to note here that all the demands under the several heads have been paid in full and there are no arrears.

There is only one school in the estate. It is situated at the Head-quarters of the estate (Pandaria). The number of boys enrolled is 143, with a daily average of 128 or 89·58 per cent., which is very good. The majority of the boys are Gonds and Koshtees. Manual training, kindergarten, drawing, object lessons, clay modelling, gymnastics and drill are taught to the boys. It was inspected once by the District Manager and once by the District Inspector of Schools.

The forests of this estate are of considerable value and have been looked after properly by the managing staff. No accidental fires occurred throughout the year.

The chief rabi crops are urhar, wheat and gram, and these are grown in nearly half the villages in this estate. Kharif consists of paddy chiefly. Both the crops were good during the year under report, and the average yield is estimated at 12 and 14 annas respectively.

The people of this estate are on the whole fairly well off, and no complaints have been made by them against the Court of Wards officials.

Fifty-four villages were selected by the Settlement Department for survey, the rest are wild and jungly, and Bijasar jamabundis have been prepared of these jungly villages; 44 were surveyed before the commencement of this year and 10 during the year under report.

There was a boundary dispute between this and the Barbaspur zamindari. This has been settled during this year, and boundary pillars along the settled line will be constructed. Rents are all paid in cash.

[*Commissioner's remarks.*—It is some years since I visited Gandai as Deputy Commissioner of the Raipur District, and I am not in a position to say just what its present requirements now are. The Deputy Commissioner will, during his tour through the estate, ascertain what improvements are wanted. So far, however, as I can recollect I should say that by the judicious outlay of money on the ghat to the up-lands west of Gandai, some forests might be opened to the public, resulting in a still better forest income. Demands under the several heads appear to have been recovered without difficulty. I am given to understand that one of the claimants to the Gandai Estate, by name Udwat Singh, has already filed a civil suit at Raipur against the other claimant, Gunpat Singh, and I fear we may expect to see a protracted and expensive litigation about this property.]

(*a*) Kauria.—[*Income Rs.* 25,268-7-1, *Liabilities Rs.* 25,473.]—This is one of the Eastern Zamindaris of the district and covers an area of 489 square miles. It is bounded on the north by the Sirpur Pargana of the Khalsa and the Deori Zamindaris; on the east by the Phuljhar Zamindari of the Sambalpur District; on the south by the Suar Mar Zamindari, and on the west by the Khalari Pargana of the Khalsa. The estate is wild, and in great part under forest. On the western side, the country is, however, fairly open, and the best villages are situated in this part. The southern portion also is tolerably well cultivated and along the Bhurkuni Nallah there are some fair villages.

In the northern and eastern portions, beyond some hamlets of Binjhomars, Gonds and other forest tribes, who cultivate small clearings in the forests, there is nothing in the way of a settled community or continuous cultivation. The soil is for the most part Matasi, but there is some Dorsa land, although it is not of very good quality.

There are 160 villages in the Zamindari, and they are held by Thekadars and others as follows:—

		Villages.
(1)	Held by inferior proprietors	13
(2)	Held by muafidars	10
(3)	Held by mortgagees	8
(4)	Waste villages	4
(5)	Villages held Kham	17
(6)	Held by Thekadars	109
	Total ...	161

Towards the end of the year sanction was received to the payment of all the liabilities due by the estate.

All the claims have now been paid off by borrowing a fresh loan of Rs. 25,000 from Raja Seth Gokul Dass.

As remarked last year, Lokenath Tahutdar of Tarenga, has not been allowed to use the estate forests, and lately he has instituted a suit against the Court of Wards for (1) possession of the two villages, Chhuya and Kansra; (2) the enforcement of his forest rights, and (3) for compensation for his dispossession. This suit is pending in the Court of the Civil Judge, and as soon as it is decided a report will be submitted.

Lall Runjeet Singh, the young Zamindar, is about 13 years of age. He has enjoyed good health during the year under report. He resides at Raipur under the care of his mother. He attends the High School, and a special teacher on Rs. 12 a month assists him in his education at home. His progress is slow, as he is not bright, stammers considerably, and his studies have been much interrupted by his frequent visits to Kauria for various purposes. Of late he has not been allowed to visit his native place so frequently.

This estate was brought under direct management on the 11th July 1890, on account of the minority of the owner.

The receipts of the year were Rs. 25,268 as compared with Rs. 14,316 in the preceding one, the chief increase being under the head "Forest."

The expenditure rose from Rs. 11,513 to Rs. 45,442; the increase was for the most part merely nominal.

All the debts due to different creditors have been liquidated under sanction received from the Chief Commissioner, and consequently there are very large increases under the heads "Interest" and "Re-payment of debt."

The survey of the estate had commenced in 1890, and 33 villages have already been surveyed. There are 6 Patwari circles in this estate. There is only one school in this estate; it is at Seevaiya. The number of boys enrolled is 44, with a daily average attendance of 25, or nearly 58 per cent. The District Manager examined this school, and his report shows that an improvement in every subject has been made by the present master, Ram Charan Singh. The majority of the pupils are Binjhmars and Gonds. The sanitary condition of the villages is said to be fairly satisfactory.

In some villages there is a scarcity of water, and people have been induced to dig up tanks and wells.

The forests of this estate contain some good timber and cover a large area. The trees are of Sal. There is hardly any teak, Bija or Saja.

Some of the Gaontias have commenced sowing rabi crops, and in a few years I hope to see a considerable extension of this cultivation.

Sugarcane is cultivated in about 10 villages.

The head-quarters of the estate are at Seevaiya, which place bears an ill reputation for unhealthiness, as it is situated on low ground, surrounded with forest, nallah and tank. The estate officials generally suffer from malarious fever No change in head-quarters can be made at present, as the new buildings would cost a good deal of money, which the estate can probably not afford to pay as it is heavily involved in debt.

[*Commissioner's remarks.*—I have lately visited this estate and am of opinion that the management is satisfactory.

The receipts have now aggregated Rs. 25,268-7-1, due to better forest arrangements, the forest income having expanded to the extent of Rs. 3,565-11-6. The Excise and Pound incomes are also considerably better than in the previous year, and I consider that the Assistant Manager has done well. I was, however, surprised to find that it was over a year since the District Manager had visited even the head-quarters of the estate at Seevaiya.

No improvements have been effected since the management was assumed by Government, but I think there is every hope, under careful management, of a considerable rise in the forest income, and there seems to me no reason whatever why some portion of the money should not be utilized judiciously in improving the estate. There is much to be done, especially in the matter of water-supply and roads. Again, the Zamindar's house is a hovel, and broken down too; the school (the only one in the estate) is being held in an old cow-shed, while there is no Serai, though Seevaiya is on the main eastern road between Sambalpur and Raipur. I have already fully recorded my inspection remarks on this estate and forwarded them to the Deputy Commissioner. The rents were easily collected, and there were no arrears. I visited the school and found it in good order. The boys appeared to be well taught and to be progressing favourably in the matter of education. The attendance I found to be somewhat irregular, while some fees were in arrears. The School Committee and Assistant Manager were directed to see to these matters. I think that a small amount advanced as Taccavi loans to agriculturists would be advantageous.

On the whole I was satisfied with what I saw.]

(*a*) Wararbund.—[*Income Rs.* 3,696-3-3, *Liabilities Rs.* 46,114-6-0].—This estate was brought under direct management on the 25th of March 1891 owing to the minority of the proprietors. The estate is a "Jagir." The two minor Jagirdars are Padum Singh, aged 10, and Kalander Singh, aged 8. They are living at Wararbund with their mother Musst. Mira Bai. Both the minors have enjoyed sound health during the year under report. A tutor on Rs. 12 a month has been employed to teach the minors at Wararbund. They have made very little progress in Hindi. This slow progress is attributed to the fact that Musst. Mira Bai, the mother, takes the boys away from home frequently. Musst. Mira Bai's character does not appear to be good, and she is not a fit guardian for the boys. The family is allowed Rs. 30 a month in cash and 3 ploughs of land free of rent for maintenance.

The estate consists of 8 villages; 7 of these are in possession of lessees, and one is managed "kham" since 1st April last. The civil suit referred to in last year's report has now been decided by the Judicial Assistant, and a decree for Rs. 9,200 has been passed against the estate. Malu Bai, the defendant, intends filing an appeal in the Court of the Judicial Commissioner, and as soon as the Judicial Assistant's decree is made final, a report will be submitted regarding the liabilities of the estate and proposals for liquidating the same.

The income of the present year was Rs. 3,696 as compared with Rs. 4,052 in the preceding one.

Under orders of the Local Government the management of the farms of abkari, opium ganja, pandhri and income-tax has been made over to the district authorities, and the cattle pound has also been given in charge of the District Council: hence there were no receipts under these heads.

The expenditure was Rs. 1,731 as against Rs. 2,520.

The conservancy arrangements are reported to be satisfactory, and the supply of water is ample. It is derived from the large tank of Wararbund, which contains an abundant supply of water throughout the year.

Rents are all paid in cash in this estate.

The arrears shown in Statement No. 4 had all been recovered on the 30th September last, but they could not be credited into the treasury on that day.

[*Commissioner's remarks.*—I have but little to add to the Deputy Commissioner's report. It is not possible just now to say whether the position of this estate is satisfactory or otherwise, as everything will depend on the decision which may be arrived at by the Judicial Commissioner's Court in the civil suit between the proprietors and their creditor Malu Bai. The total annual receipts of the estate will scarcely reach Rs. 4,000, and it will be a matter of

considerable difficulty to liquidate a debt of over Rs. 39,000, if Malu Bai is successful in having the original decree of 1890 upheld; while on the other hand the amount of Rs. 9,200, lately decreed in the Appellate Court of the Judicial Assistant can be paid off in a few years' time. I will await the report of the Deputy Commissioner regarding the guardianship of the two minors, after he has visited Wararbund and enquired into the matter.]

(*a*) Darchura.—[*Income Rs.* 2,169-15-0, *Liabilities Rs.* 4,177-14-5].—The management of this estate was assumed by the Court of Wards on the 16th October 1890, as the estate was involved in debt and the proprietress incapable of managing her affairs.

The proprietress, Musst. Laxmi Bai, a widow, aged about 44, lives at Raipur under the care of Laxman Shridher, her husband's brother (an Honorary Magistrate), and has enjoyed good health during the year. She is allowed a cash allowance of Rs. 20 a month as maintenance and the profits from 546·40 acres of Sir land in Mauzahs Derchura and Dhekuna.

The estate consists of the following villages :—

1. Derchura ....
2. Dhekuna ... ... } Raipur District.
3. Nawagarh ... ... Bilaspur District.

The total income of the estate during the year under report was Rs. 2,169-15-0 against Rs. 2,051-0-3 in the preceding year, showing an increase of Rs. 118-14-9, which is due to the fact that the share in profits in the Nawagarh village (Bilaspur District) is always fluctuating. This village is held by a Thekadar who has got the protected status and gives to the Court of Wards a 12-annas share out of 16 annas every year.

The only item under the head "Expenditure" which requires explanation is that of Miscellaneous, under which the increase of Rs. 75 represents the costs of a civil suit instituted against the Thekadar of Nawagarh for the recovery of certain items of income in the village.

The fixed annual instalment of debt (Rs. 550) has been paid during the year under report, and it is clear from the statistics for the past two years that this estate can afford to pay the full fixed instalments of debt every year, and that it will be freed from all liabilities within the period originally fixed.

The conservancy arrangements of the estate and the water-supply in the three villages are reported to be fairly satisfactory. The supply of water is derived from tanks.

All the rents in this estate are paid in cash.

[*Commissioner's remarks.*—The position of this small estate is satisfactory, and the debt instalments are being paid off with punctuality. Some of the poorer ryots appear to have found some difficulty this past year in paying their rents. The arrear balance is small (only Rs. 16-12-6, Statement IV), but the Deputy Commissioner should see if the rents paid by these persons are pressing heavily on them, and, if so, he should not hesitate to arrange that they should pay lower ones. As the Deputy Commissioner proposes to visit this estate soon he can personally enquire into the cause of the failure to pay rents. He has promised to see whether some small sum cannot be conveniently set apart for such improvements as are necessary.]

(*a*) Tarpongi.—[*Income Rs.* 2,070-5-0, *Liabilities Rs.* 4,450-9-6].—The estate consists of two villages—Tarpongi in the Simga Tahsil and Seoni in the Raipur Tahsil. It was taken under Government management on the 15th April 1892, owing to the indebtedness of its proprietor. Last year the estate remained under direct management for 5½ months only; while this year it was under the Court of Wards for full one year; hence no comparison between the figures of the two years can possibly be made. The proprietor of the estate is one Raghuttam Rao, aged about 35; he is living at Raipur and has enjoyed good health during the year. He has been assigned a certain portion (100 acres) of Sir land, free of rent, for his maintenance, and no cash allowance is paid to him.

Last year Rs. 140-4-9 were realized as grazing dues from the tenants of the two villages. This year the tenants of Seoni have paid nothing on this account. They say that, under the terms of the village wajib-ul-arz, they are entitled to free grazing for the whole cattle in their possession. The matter is under consideration and will be settled ere long. The tenants of Tarpongi have paid Rs. 30 under this head. This explains the decrease under Head IV. It may be noted that there are no forests in the two villages.

The annual debt instalment as originally fixed came to Rs. 500, but there were surplus funds available; hence Rs. 700 have been paid towards the liquidation of principal and interest (see Heads IV and XIV). The item of "Miscellaneous" is made up of the following sums:—

		Rs.	a.	p.
(1) Cost of suit filed against a tenant for arrears of rent	...	3	10	0
(2) Contribution towards general managing establishment	...	59	3	0
Total	...	62	13	0

A small sum of Rs. 0-8-9 on account of the current year's demand is in arrears, and this sum is due from a Chamar who has got a large family and was unable to pay the full rent at once. He has promised to pay it before the end of December next.

(*Commissioner's remarks.*—This small estate has not long been under management, and Raja Gokul Dass of Jubbalpore is now the only creditor, a sum of Rs. 4,800 having been borrowed from him in 1892, and all other estate liabilities paid off in full. The Deputy Commissioner has managed to pay back Rs. 700 this year to the creditor, including interest, and the balance now due is Rs. 4,450-9-6, principal. The income is very small, and nothing can at present be done in the way of improvements. The question of the rights of the tenants of Mauzah Seoni (one of the two villages which form this estate) to free grazing is now under enquiry.)

(*a*) **Tila.**— [*Income Rs.* 1,634-5-6, *Liabilities Rs.* 9,375-0-9].—This estate consists of only one village—Tila. It was brought under direct management on the 16th September 1891 on account of the proprietors' minority. Nearly 18 new tenants have settled on the estate during the year, and the total number of new tenants who have come and taken up land since the estate has been brought under direct management, now comes to 38.

The proprietors are—

1. Ram Lal,
2. Kedarnath,
3. Sarjoo Prasad,
4. Sitaram,
5. Radhe Shyam,
6. Shirre Hari,

(six minor sons). Their father, Bodhi Tiwari, has divested himself of all rights in the village. But he still interferes with the management, and the Deputy Commissioner has now under enquiry complaints made against him both by the Court officials and by the tenants. All the minor proprietors have enjoyed good health during the year under report. Two of them attend the village school at Semra, but they are naturally dull and much progress has not been made by them. The other 4 boys' ages are between 16 and 20, and they left the school long before the estate was brought under direct management. One of the eldest accepted service in the Bindra-Nawagrah Estate, but as he was very fond of his parents, he left the service after two months and is now residing with his family in Tila.

The 2 per cent. Government rate was not realized in full last year as funds were not available. This has been paid during the year under report.

It may be noted that the fixed debt instalment of Rs. 900 has not been paid in full, the reason being that the income of the estate was taken at too high a figure when the estate was brought under direct management. Gradually the income of the estate may increase, but at present the full instalment of debt cannot be paid.

Rupees 161-11-9 on account of arrears of rent have been remitted under sanction received from the Commissioner.

As already stated last year, Bodhi Tiwari, the father of the minor proprietors, had taken up the Sir land on payment of an annual jama of Rs. 60, but this he failed to pay. This year the amount due by him has been remitted under sanction of the Commissioner of the Division. If Bodhi will not pay his Sir jama this year, the Sir land in his possession will be given out to other cultivators.

The conservancy of the village is said to be good and the water-supply sufficient. The water-supply is derived from a tank during the rainy and cold months, but in the hot weather, when the tanks are dried up, the people obtain their supply from the Mahanadi River, which is very close to the village.

(*Commissioner's remarks.*—The position of this estate is far from satisfactory. The income is below Rs. 1,650 a year, while nearly the whole of this sum is taken up with the payment of Government revenue and cesses, the 2 per cent. Government rate, and the liquidation of the interest on the debt due by the estate, which now amounts to Rs. 9,375-0-9. Bodhi, the father of the six minor proprietors, is apparently giving trouble and refusing to pay Rs. 60, the rent of the Sir lands which he cultivates; while there appears to be some difficulty in getting their rents out of some of the tenants. Decrees have been obtained for the whole of the unrealized balance, except for that portion of it which has been remitted under sanction of this office. It must take very many years before the estate becomes free from debt, and if Bodhi is permitted to interfere it seems doubtful whether, even under the present management, much can be done to save the property.)

General remarks of the Commissioner on the Court of Wards of the Raipur District.

I find that the cost of the Court of Wards office at the Sadar and of the District Manager as well as that of all the Assistant Managers, except that of Gandai, is recovered proportionately from all the estates under management. Of these Assistant Managers one is in sole charge of the Bindra-Nawagarh Estate, another of the Kowria Estate, and the third one of the malguzari estates. It is therefore quite erroneous and wrong in principle to recover contributions from *all* the estates under management to cover the cost of all these three Assistant Managers. Their pay should be wholly debited to the funds of the estates of which they are in sole charge, and should not be charged to those estates with which they have no concern whatever. In other words these Assistant Managers do not belong to the central managing establishment, which consists of the District Manager and his office establishment at the Sadar. Their pay should be charged to the funds of those estates of which they are in charge and not to *all* the estates as is done in the case of the central managing establishment. I have instructed the Deputy Commissioner to put a stop to this practice at once, and I trust that the Chief Commissioner approves of the action I have taken.

The total amount spent on estate improvements aggregated Rs. 12,776, as compared with Rs. 12,036 in the previous year. Of this, Rs. 12,083 were spent in Bindra-Nawagarh in constructing certain Forest Nakas, Police Posts and Pounds, and in repairing certain roads. Full details of these works will be found in Table VIII appended to the District Report. The balance was spent in Gandai, Kowria and Mohrenga. In the current year's Budgets which have recently been sanctioned by the Chief Commissioner large sums have been provided for expenditure on estate improvements, and I hope that during the current year some real progress in the way of substantial improvements will be made. I have already drawn the special attention of the Deputy Commissioner to the important matter of giving out more freely tacavi advances from the funds of solvent estates. I have also drawn his special attention to the Chief Commissioner's remarks contained in paragraph 7 of Resolution No. 4924, dated the 21st October last, on the subject of expenditure on works of progress and public improvement, and I trust that the current year will show better results in this matter.

The subject of occupancy rights by ordinary tenants in accordance with the provisions of section 62 of the Central Provinces Tenancy Act is receiving the attention of the Deputy Commissioner. I have also recently asked him to see that the ordinary tenants of the villages under the Court of Wards are made fully acquainted with their privileges and rights under the law.

The present Deputy Commissioner, Mr. Fox-Strangways, has, I know, taken up the matter of Government management of estates with energy and has already arranged for their improvement in all respects, and I believe that under his control and supervision we shall see considerable improvement.

Of the District Manager, Moji Lall, I do not as yet know very much. I think, however, that he requires to be more active in travelling frequently over his charge. I found that he had not visited Kowria for a year, and I consider this to be very unsatisfactory.

Thakoor Nunheh Singh, who is Assistant Manager in Bindra-Nawagarh, is, I consider, entitled to credit for the results of the year. I have known him for some years while I was Deputy Commissioner of Raipur, and I consider that he did excellent work at Thakurtola when that estate was under management. He is quite qualified for his present important charge.

Ram Narayan, the Assistant Manager at Gandai, is not known to me personally, but from all accounts he would seem to be doing fairly well.

Deendyal, the Assistant Manager at Kowria, knows no English and looks to head-quarter for all instructions. He is, I believe, honest and painstaking and has increased the forest revenue of the estate considerably. But he has not much originality about him, and therefore the estate requires a good deal of supervision from head-quarters, which unfortunately it has not sufficiently received.

Venayak Rao, the Assistant Manager in charge of the small malguzari estates and of Wararbandh, has done satisfactory work. There is not much scope for distinction in such a charge.

BILASPUR DISTRICT.

(*a*) Bilaigarh *cum* Katangi.—[*Income Rs.* 14,979-13-4, *Liabilities Rs.* 19,875-8-5].—The total income of both the estates during the year under report has slightly risen from Rs. 16,032-11-6 to Rs. 16,189-4-7. This slight increase is under the following heads :—Forest—Rs. 3,179-4-9 against Rs. 2,881-5-7, and other siwai and manorial dues; but there is a great falling off under the head "Rent," being Rs. 9,415-14-9 against Rs. 9,740-14-0. In both the estates there are 116 villages; some of them are waste. Steps are being taken to populate these villages, leasing them to the residents of the estate. Mr. A. S. Womack, I. C. S., Deputy Commr.

During the year under report Rs. 623-8-10 only have been spent on the improvement of the estate. The construction of most of the works was undertaken in the previous year. The total cost of these works was to be Rs. 2,776-4-6, of which the greater part was expended last year, the balance only being spent during the current year. In view of the financial position of the estates, improvement on a more extensive scale cannot be attempted.

This estate owes the Pandaria estate a debt amounting to Rs. 19,875-8-5, the principal being Rs. 15,849-15-8, and interest Rs. 4,025-8-9, repayable in annual instalments of Rs. 4,000. Rupees 1,000 only have been paid off this year towards the liquidation of debt due by the estate, as much of the balance to the credit of the estate has been spent in "Special Allowances" and "Cost of Management." In the previous year the total expenditure under the heads "Raj family" and "Administration" was Rs. 1,965-7-10 and Rs. 1,668 respectively, against Rs. 2,623-5-2 and Rs. 3,620-1-6 during the year under review. Steps will be taken to satisfy more of the debt during the current year.

The balance to the credit of the estates on the 31st of October 1893 is Rs. 3,278-2-1 against Rs. 2,734-2-8 last year.

It is impossible to undertake advances of grain, as it is under the heavy burden of a very large amount of debt.

During this year the leases of 66 villages have been renewed for a period of five years; three have been held Kham, and in one the pateli system has been introduced. In these estates survey operations have been commenced, and it is expected that the whole zamindari will be surveyed in a few months.

The Zamindar, Sheo Singh, the father of the present Zamindar, Bhup Singh, died on the 21st May 1893, and Prem Singh, late Zamindar, Katangi, too died on the 2nd August 1893. The allowances of the deceased Zamindars, Sheo Singh and Prem Singh, are given to their sons, Bhup Singh and Ajit Singh, respectively.

(*Commissioner's remarks.*—The position of this estate is by no means satisfactory. It has been under management since 1888, and yet not much more than Rs. 2,000 of the debt has been paid off. Rupees 18,000 were due to creditors when the management by Government was assumed, while the debt still stands Rs. 15,849-15-8.

In the present embarrassed condition of the estate it is not possible to expend much on improvements. Something, however, has been done in this direction, but at the cost of the liquidation of the debt, and I agree with the Deputy Commissioner that where possible retrenchments should be made. The Zamindar and his family must be made to see that it is not only to their own interests, but that it is also their duty to keep down their private expenses to the lowest figure, and that it will be impossible for Government to assist them unless they work loyally with the Government officers in this respect. A small balance of Rs. 180 remains outstanding, and I hope it will soon be recovered. I am by no means satisfied with the manner in which the late Manager resettled a number of villages this year. Old Gaontias were ejected somewhat freely for new men, and the Deputy Commissioner appears to have accepted the Manager's proposals in all these cases, without calling up the ejected Gaontias and enquiring into their rights. Indeed, so far as I recollect, the Deputy Commissioner accepted nearly all the Manager's proposals without comment. The consequence has been that a rush of appeals followed, and I wrote to the Deputy Commissioner eventually on the subject. The Manager has, I hear, been since posted elsewhere, and the Deputy Commissioner has now to make local enquiries into the pending cases before final orders can be passed.)

(*a*) Kanteli.—[*Income Rs.* 9,625-6-7, *Liabilities Rs.* 12,430-8-8].—The total income of the estate under report has increased by Rs. 1,436-3-1. This marked increase is only under the head "Rent." The reason of this increase is due to the revised assessment and fixation of rents and theka jamas in the villages of this zamindari for the period of 11 years sanctioned by the Chief Commissioner—*vide* letter No. 778—VI-52, dated the 10th March 1892, from the Revenue Secretary to the Chief Commissioner. According to these sanctioned jamas, rents have been realized from the thekedars of the estate.

The total expenditure including nominal is Rs. 7,701-4-4 against Rs. 8,524-5-5 for the last year.

Rupees 200 only have been spent in the construction of a pound and gymnasium and repairs to the moharir's quarters and the Zamindar's house.

The balance to the credit of the estate on the 30th September 1893 was Rs. 4,274-13-4 against Rs. 2,147-11-1. The liabilities amount to Rs. 11,069-10-5.

This estate is indebted to Raja Seth Gokul Dass of Jubbulpore. Out of Rs. 32,000 borrowed for the liquidation of debt due by the estate, Rs. 20,930-5-7 have been paid off up to the end of the year under report. The balance to the credit of the estate is sufficient to pay off the instalment for 1893.

The Zamindar, Saheblal, resides at Kanteli. His minor brother, Nanheylal, lives at Bilaspur, prosecuting his studies in the Middle School class. He is a sharp lad and the 2nd Assistant Master of the Zilla School has been appointed his tutor at Rs. 7 a month to teach him at home and look after his manners.

The people of this estate are poor and averse to mercantile pursuits. They enjoyed good health during the year under report, as the zamindari was not visited by epidemic cholera.

(*Commissioner's remarks.*—This is a small estate which has been under management for just over 11 years. The liabilities at the time of Government assuming the management was Rs. 32,000. The amount paid off since then aggregated the sum of Rs. 20,930-5-7, and the balance still to be liquidated is Rs. 11,069-10-5, or including interest Rs. 12,430-8-8.

But little can be done, while the estate remains involved, in the matter of improvements, but still something should be done for the benefit of the people in the way of improving the water-supply and conservancy of villages, and in giving the traders and the people generally, decent roads. The revised assessment spoken of by the Deputy Commissioner has raised the total income of the estate by Rs. 1,436-3-1 annually, and there is therefore so much the more reason to lay out money in water-supplies and communications and serais and school buildings, where necessary, during the new year. Only Rs. 200 were expended on improvements during 1892-93, but, except perhaps in the matter of the Rs. 50 expended in the construction of a pound-house, the general public of the estate did not get much benefit from the outlay, as Rs. 50 were spent in constructing a wrestling house, and Rs. 40 and Rs. 60 were spent on repairing the moharir's quarters and the Zamindar's house. The convenience of the people should be studied I think. Rupees 153-0-2 are in arrears as rents due to the estate. The Deputy Commissioner has not touched on the subject at all. This is, however, not a very large amount, and I trust it will soon be realized. There has been no tenancy litigation connected with the estate during the year.)

(*b*) Pendra.—[*Income Rs.* 22,257-2-1, *Liabilities* Nil.].—The total income of the estate has during the year under report fallen from Rs. 28,799-11-0 to Rs. 24,608-6-5, showing a decrease of Rs. 4,191-4-7, being under the following heads:—(1) Forest, (2) Other dues, (3) Nominal. The decrease under the head "Forest" especially seems to be large. The reasons for this decrease are that during the year under review a large number of cattle in the estate died of small-pox and foot-and-mouth disease. The consequence of this loss to the cultivators resulted in a decrease under the sub-head "Commutation Fees." There is also a decrease under the sub-head "Grazing dues," major head "Forest," this year; the Bhurthias did not come to graze their cattle, which were taken to the Sohagpur District, where it appears the grazing dues are low.

There is also a decrease in Pandhri, which has fallen from Rs. 784 to Rs. 409, showing a decrease of Rs. 375.

During the year under report the total expenditure has increased. The increase is chiefly under the following heads:—

(1). Personal expenses,
(2). Miscellaneous, and
(3). Contribution towards the maintenance of the Police force.

During the year nearly Rs. 1,490-3-0 were given to Umed Singh, Manager, Pendra, on account of expenses to go on a pilgrimage to perform the obsequies of the minor Zamindar's uncle, Lalloo Raghubar Singh, and the allowance of the minor Zamindar's mother was raised from Rs. 150 to Rs. 250.

Under the head "Miscellaneous" Rs. 5,000 were subscribed towards the Raj Kumar College building at Raipur.

In this estate there are 211 villages against 227 for last year.

The reason of the falling off in the number of villagers is due to the Bhunias, who have deserted the villages populated by them last year, and hence the small decrease in the realization of the rent. They have all gone to the Sohagpur District as they were not allowed to carry on Dahya cultivation. Now these villages have become waste. This tribe has no permanent dwelling at one place; always changes its abode and settles on any hillock, giving any name to that place it chooses. The Manager's report further shows that during the current year there is a possibility of others going to Sohagpur. Rupees 1,857-6-3 have been spent during the year under report on construction and repairs and cost of supervising establishment. In the ensuing year it has been proposed to effect improvements, at an estimated value of Rs. 37,442 towards the construction of the Zamindar's mahal and the Pendra-Jatga road.

The cash balance to the credit of the estate on the 30th September 1893 was Rs. 56,326-0-11 against Rs. 59,578-1-7 for the last year.

Rupees 9,023-1-6 have been realized out of Rs. 9,064-8-9, the total demand.

During the year under report the cultivation of tassar was encouraged in the estate; 1,100 cocoo ns were supplied to the Manager of the estate from Chhuri with four men experienced in the production of tassar; but the efforts to start the Kosa industry proved unsuccessful, owing to heavy showers of rain. Steps will be taken to encourage the cultivation during the ensuing year. The young Zamindar, Indrapal Singh, and his brother, Chhatrapal Singh, both study at the Rajkumar College, Jubbulpore. The former is making fair progress, while the latter is not so sharp. The Principal will be asked to pay his best attention to the studies of the minors.

The Commissioner of the Division proposed to bring the town of Pendra under the Village Sanitation Act. Accordingly proposals were submitted, but the Chief Commissioner did not approve them.

Owing to the railways in the estate, trade is flourishing. People from Uprora, Mahtin, So hagpur and Lafa come here for the purpose of trade. But the people of Lafa, Uprora and Mahtin experience great difficulty in conveying their goods, owing to the tract being hilly. Work on the Pendra-Jatga road has been commenced, and this will, it is hoped, remove the traders' difficulties.

(*Commis sioner's remarks.*—The Deputy Commissioner of Bilaspur's memorandum on the adm inistration of the Pendra Zamindari for the year ending the 30th September 1893, is by no mean s satisfactory reading. It speaks of failure in many directions, the redeeming feature being the expansion of trade owing to the railway which passes through the estate.

There is shown to have been a decrease of nearly 48 per cent. in the Pandhri income of the estate, which has not been explained by the Deputy Commissioner. It is probably due to the introduction of the Khalsa Pandhri rules and the abolition of unauthorized cesses, which in most zamindaris have hitherto been realized under the designation of "Pandhri."

On the other hand, the expenditure has increased on personal expenses of the zamindar and his family. The number of the villages of the estate has decreased also, as the Bhunias have been prevented from resorting to Dhaya cultivation. The estate is so situated as perhaps to encourage emigration, for the Rewah territory is close by, and the Bhunias can easily get across the borders to the Sohagpur Illaqua, where probably no such prohibition to the ruinous system of Dhaya cultivation exists. There has been failure in the matter of arrangements for supplying tenants with seed-grain, and also failure in the attempts made to encourage tassar cultivation. Lastly, practically but little has been done to improve the estate in the matter of its buildings and water-supply, while so far as I can see, nothing whatever seems to have been done in any direction to improve the estate roads at all, notwithstanding that there has been a large available balance of over Rs. 50,000 to the credit of the estate throughout the year.

Much better arrangements have, however, been made for the current year, and I hope to see the available funds utilized to some advantage. The budgets for the year 1893-94 have provided for necessary improvements and have been passed by the Chief Commissioner, and the Executive Engineer, Chhattisgarh States Roads Division, has already taken up the matter. I trust that next year's report will be a more satisfactory one than this. Rents have all been realized except a small amount of Rs. 22-7-9, which is in train of liquidation, though the Deputy Commissioner thinks that the realization of Rs. 13 of this amount is doubtful. Rupees 18-15-6 are also shown as arrears under the head of "Demand" due on three villages, and this amount is recoverable, so that it is not satisfactory that it has remained unrealized. I am not sure that it was an advisable change to remove a Government official from being locally employed in the management of the estate, and to hand over the management to the zamindar's uncle. Under the circumstances, however, the supervision should be closer than ever.)

(*a*) Pandaria.—[*Income Rs.* 89,873-0-9, *Liabilities* Nil.].—This zamindari consists of 305 villages, of which 290 have been let out on thekas and 15 held kham.

The area under cultivation has slightly increased. The reason of this increase is due to the land brought under cultivation by Baigas and Bhunias, a tribe in Pandaria, living in recesses of the hills and carrying on Dahya cultivation. Under the Deputy Commissioner's orders these

Baigas and Bhunias have been ordered to settle in places selected by the Deputy Commissioner. The Baiga villages have been absorbed into forest areas. One object of this order was to induce the Baigas to learn and adopt a more advanced system of cultivation.

The total income of the estate has, during the year under report, increased by Rs. 6,050-15-8. This increase is due to the increased receipts under the heads "Excise," "Pandhri" and "Pounds." The increase under the head "Excise" is under sub-head sale of ganja and bhang, and especially opium.

The expenditure has also exceeded that of last year by Rs. 30,462-7-9 real, and Rs. 18,274-2-11 nominal, respectively. This abnormal increase is under the following heads :—

1. Administration.
2. Miscellaneous.
3. Improvements.
4. Nominal.

The reason of increase under head No. 1 is due to the entertainment of a treasury guard establishment to guard the estate treasuries.

Under head 2 (Miscellaneous) during this year Rs. 25,000 have been paid by the estate towards subscription to the Rajkumar School building at Raipur; hence the increase under this head.

The Bilaigarh estate, which is indebted to this estate, has paid only Rs. 1,000 towards the liquidation of debt.

During the year under report Rs. 10,923 have been spent in improvements, against Rs. 6,890 for the last year. All the works that were sanctioned have not yet been completed.

It is proposed to advance a large amount to the cultivators of the estate on account of tacavi. Last year several applications were made for "advances," but for want of funds under this head all the applications were filed. For the ensuing year Rs. 2,000 have been provided for the purpose.

The minor Zamindar, Lal Raghuraj Singh, who is 16 years of age, is studying at the Rajkumar College. The report of the Inspector of Schools, Northern Circle, shows that the minor's progress is satisfactory. Had his attendance at school been good, he would have made better progress as he is smart and fond of learning. The minor during the year enjoyed good health.

The Chief of Sarangarh, in the Sambalpur District, offered his daughter in marriage to him, and the ceremony is to come off shortly. Preparations are being made for the same.

In this estate six malguzars have dug tanks during the year in their villages, spending nearly Rs. 6,100.

During the year under review a large number of cattle died of small-pox and foot-and-mouth disease, as reported by the Tahsildar of Pandaria, and thereby caused injury to the owners.

Trade in the estate is flourishing as the people have now come to know the advantages derived from commerce.

From the remarks of the Civil Surgeon, it has been found that as regards sanitation, Pandaria is making but little progress. The Tahsildar has been directed to take measures to keep the town clean.

(*Commissioner's remarks.*—This estate is in a flourishing condition and has an unexpended balance of cash in hand of Rs. 92,764-14-9, while the Bilaigarh Zamindari estate in the Bilaspur District is indebted to Pandaria the sum of Rs. 19,875-8-5 (including interest). Rents have all been easily realized, and there are no balances; the area under cultivation has slightly increased, the income of the estate has risen by Rs. 6,050-15-8, due to increased receipts under the heads of "Excise", "Pandhri" and "Pounds" (which have been explained in the Deputy Commissioner's memorandum on the administration of this estate for the past year), and the general position of the estate is satisfactory.

There has been a large increase in expenditure due mainly to the following causes:—

(1) The entertainment of a treasury guard establishment to guard the estate treasuries. With the accumulation of funds, this establishment has become a necessity.

(2) A grant of Rs. 25,000 towards the new Rajkumar School at Raipur.

(3) Increased expenditure on estate improvements.

(4) Marriage expenses of the minor Zamindar, Lal Raghuraj Singh.

Items Nos. 2 and 4 are extraordinary charges which will not occur again.

As regards No. 3, I do not consider that anything like sufficient money was expended on improvements, considering the large available balance in hand, but I trust that we shall be in a position this time next year to show that this important subject has not been overlooked.

I am not satisfied with the Deputy Commissioner's explanation that, notwithstanding applications having been filed for tacavi loans during the past year, nothing could be done for the applicants for want of funds under this head. If by an oversight no funds had been provided for this purpose in the estate budget for 1892-93, any required amount could have been met by re-appropriation from the very large balance in hand. For the new year Rs. 2,000 have been provided for this purpose, and I trust the Deputy Commissioner will be able to assist the agriculturists to the full amount.

The Deputy Commissioner has not touched upon the subject of supplying tenants with seed-grain. This should not be lost sight of. No tenants have been ejected, and no rents enhanced in this estate during the year.

The young ward, Lal Raghuraj Singh, is at the Rajkumar College, and his education is progressing satisfactorily. He is 16 years old. Preparations for his marriage with the sister (not daughter as stated by the Deputy Commissioner) of Jowahir Singh, Feudatory Chief of Sarangarh, are in progress. Jowahir Singh is himself only 5 years old.

The only other subject that I need dwell upon is that of the acquisition of occupancy rights by tenants under Section 62 of the Central Provinces Tenancy Act. During my tour in this district I have found that tenants everywhere are ignorant of their rights under that Act, while the Patwaris know simply nothing whatever of the provisions of the Act. Section 62 is practically a dead letter in the Bilaspur District, and there is, in my opinion, no reason whatever why this should be the case. In the adjoining district of Raipur, applications under Section 62 are each year rapidly multiplying themselves, and I believe that as soon as the tenants of the Bilaspur District are made fully conversant with the law on the subject, similar results will follow. I have issued instructions to the Deputy Commissioner on this subject.

General remarks of the Commissioner on the Court of Wards of the Bilaspur District.

The details of the improvements which were effected during the year under report are given in Statement VIII appended to the Deputy Commissioner's memoranda. Considering the large balances at their credit, the Pendra and Pandaria estates could undoubtedly afford to spend considerably more on estate improvements, and it is only to be regretted that so small an amount was actually spent in Pendra, and that the expenditure in Pandaria exceeded by only a few thousand rupees that of the preceding year. The advisability of spending on these works as much as funds can permit has already been pointed out to the Deputy Commissioner, and large provisions have been made in the ensuing year's budget recently sanctioned by the Chief Commissioner. I have also written to ask the Deputy Commissioner to arrange for such local professional agency as may be found necessary to effectively supervise local works being carried on under the general supervision of Mr. Harriott, and to see that the provisions made in the budget are fully utilised, and I hope that the current year's report will show real progress under this head. I would here add that, since writing my note on the Pandaria Estate Report, I have personally visited Pandaria where I met Mr. Harriott, and we have laid down a scheme of works which appear to be required for the benefit of the estate. My visit has satisfied me that building works ought not to be allowed to be undertaken in any estate except under professional supervision. I found, for instance, that the new Dispensary with its separate male and female wards and cook-room had been built so badly and the work so scamped that buttresses have had to be put up at each corner of each of the buildings to support the walls. In future, Mr. Harriott will supervise all such works.

Mr. Chapman was Deputy Commissioner of Bilaspur for a portion of the year, and paid a good deal of attention to the estates under management. Mr. Womack, the present Deputy Commissioner, was in charge of the district for some time at the commencement of the year, but I was not then in charge of the Division, and am, therefore, unable to give an opinion of his work in respect to the Court of Wards estates beyond saying that I was by no means satisfied with the manner in which the Manager at Bilaigarh, Rahim Khan, re-settled during the early part of the year a number of villages in that estate, whose leases had fallen in, and I think that Mr. Womack accepted the Manager's recommendations without sufficiently satisfying himself that they were justifiable ones. The result was a large number of appeals to my office against ejectment by the old Gaontias, and I found it necessary in several instances to reverse the Deputy Commissioner's orders and direct the new settlements to be made with the former Gaontias. Mr. Chapman was officiating as Deputy Commissioner when those appeals came before me, and he removed the Manager to another estate (Chhuri), and Swabchand has been moved from Chhuri to Bilaigarh. Swabchand will, I believe, do better, but the estate requires a good deal of the Deputy Commissioner's attention, as there is no District Manager at Bilaspur. Pandaria and Kanteli are managed by Sadasheo Rao, a Naib-Tahsildar in Government employ, and now Tahsildar of Pandaria. He is an elderly man, and looks older than he is. He seems to me to be growing a bit feeble, but he does his work satisfactorily, I think, and certainly to the best of his ability. A younger and more energetic man would perhaps be of more advantage to the estate. The Pendra estate is managed by Lal Umed Singh, uncle of the Zamindar, and he is paid Rs. 70 a month for his trouble. I am doubtful of the wisdom of placing estates for which Government are wholly responsible to their owners, in the hands of untrained native gentlemen in this way and of removing altogether the official element. The Deputy Commissioner's report on the Pendra estate speaks of failure in many directions, and I doubt if the present arrangements are the best that can be made, or even are altogether satisfactory. The Deputy Commissioner will have to pay a good deal of attention to the Pendra estate during the current year.

SAMBALPUR DISTRICT.

(*a*) Ghes.—[*Income Rs.* 2,724-3-9, *Liabilities Rs.* 8,387-5-3].—This estate was taken under the management of the Court of Wards on the 23rd January 1883, owing to the indebtedness of Ujal Singh. MR. J. WALKER, I. C. S., Deputy Commr.

The estate consists of 25 villages, the annual land revenue of which is Rs. 2,597-10-9. During the year under report, the whole demand of land revenue was realised, leaving a small balance of Rs. 32-8-0 due by one Gaontia, for the realisation of which steps are being taken. Of the arrears, Rs. 8 have since been realised.

Besides the land revenue, Patwari cess amounting to Rs. 143-9-0 was realised.

The total income of the estate was thus Rs. 2,926-8-5, including the balance at the commencement of the year under report.

The total expenditure during the year under report was Rs. 2,638-13-0. Out of this, Rs. 1,266-2-3 were paid into the treasury, being the Government Takoli, which remained the same for the year under report.

A sum of Rs. 280 was paid for the maintenance of the proprietor. The proprietor of the estate is Raghunath Singh, a minor of about 13 years. He kept good health during the year under report. He is given education by a private tutor and has made fair progress.

During the year under report a sum of Rs. 1,000 was remitted to Raja Gokul Dass, in part satisfaction of the debt due by the estate, of which Rs. 241-1-6 were for principal and the balance, Rs. 758-14-6, for interest.

The loan borrowed from Raja Gokul Dass amounted to Rs. 13,000, from which Rs. 4,612-10-9 only has yet been repaid. To repay the balance it will take about 8 years more.

The settlement of this estate is in progress on the same basis as in Phuljhar. The Deputy Commissioner has recently announced rents for all tenants, and the settlement will be now submitted for the Chief Commissioner's sanction.

The estate being encumbered, nothing could well be provided for tacavi loans or for public improvements.

(*Commissioner's remarks.*—This is a small zamindari estate which will remain under Government management for some years to come. It has already been under management for ten years, during which time Rs. 4,612-10-9 have been paid to Raja Gokul Dass, the creditor, out of a loan of Rs. 13,000, leaving Rs. 8,387-5-3 to be still paid. The total assets amount to Rs. 2,724-3-9 (entirely made up of rents and Patwari cess), while the Government demand and cesses are Rs. 1,266-2-3. Leaving the Patwari cess out, the assets are Rs. 2,580-10-9, so that the Government demand falls thereupon at about 50 per cent., which seems high for so small an estate. The whole of the rents of the 25 villages which form this zamindari, have been realised, except Rs. 32-8-0 in Mauzah Sidhra, and of this balance Rs. 8 were recovered after the close of the year, so that the balance now is Rs. 24-8-0 only. I note that Sidhra was the only village in the previous year in which an arrear was shown, so that there may perhaps be some necessity to revise some rents there, but as the Deputy Commissioner is soon about to submit for sanction the new settlement of the estate, the question will then be looked into.

It appears that nearly the whole of the income is spent on payment of Government revenue, cost of management and payment of debt (both principal and interest). The personal expenses are only Rs. 280 a year. It would be as well to spend Rs. 100 or Rs. 150 a year in improving the water-supplies of villages where necessary, so far as this is possible.)

(*a*). **Borasambhar.**—[*Income Rs.* 40,219-4-5, *Liabilities* Nil.].—This estate was brought under the management of the Court of Wards, with the Chief Commissioner's sanction, on the 24th November 1885, owing to the minority of the proprietor.

This estate is managed jointly with the Phuljhar estate by the Manager, Balkrishna Sohani, who is paid in moieties by both estates, during the minority of the Zamindar, Narendro Singh. The Zamindar resides at Padampur, the head-quarters of the estate, with his step-mother, Rani Sulochana Devi, and is given education by a tutor. He has made fair progress in vernacular and English languages.

The Chief Commissioner has sanctioned a re-settlement of the estate on the basis of the Kutak system. During the year under report, rents of all villages were proposed, and rent announcement statements of four parganas were prepared, and those for the remaining parganas are being made. After the rents have been announced, a report will be submitted for the final sanction of the Chief Commissioner.

The following table shows the demand and realisation of Land Revenue and Cesses for the year under report, as compared with that of the previous year:—

Nature of income.	Demand for		Realisation for	
	1891-92.	1892-93.	1891-92.	1892-93.
	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.
Land Revenue, including Cesses ...	15,119 6 10	15,517 12 1	15,036 10 0	15,517 12 1

The increase in the demands is due to the land revenue of the remaining 29 Muafi villages of the late Musst. Kamla Devi and the shrine of Hanumanji being included in the estate demand. The whole demand has been realised.

The income from Patwari cess was Rs. 1,205-8-0 against Rs. 1,221-12-0 for the previous year. The decrease is due to the balance of Rs. 16-4-0 being realised last year.

The following statement shows the real income of the estate as compared with that of the preceding year :—

Nature of income.	1891-92.	1892-93.
	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.
Excise	1,750 0 0	1,800 0 0
Forest	7,229 8 0	11,074 12 9
Cattle trespass fines	598 12 6	1,085 13 3
Sale of unclaimed cattle	.....	106 15 6
Do. do. property	61 3 7	13 1 0
Pandhri	356 0 0	388 0 0
Ferry and fishery	74 4 0	81 0 0
Dispensary subscription	1,859 15 0	624 14 0
Other items	48 0 6	0 8 0

The excise farm of the whole estate was leased out to one Ratan Behera, for a period of three years, on Rs. 1,700 for the first year and Rs. 1,750 for the two succeeding years. The whole sum has been realised.

The abnormal increase against the head "Forest" is principally due to export of Hurra.

The following statement shows the expenditure in the management of the estate for the past two years :—

Nature of expenditure.	1891-92.	1892-93.
	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.
Government Takoli	10,107 9 0	7,341 9 0
Grant to Zamindar's family	4,261 8 10	7,048 10 6
Cost of management	3,264 7 3	5,641 13 8
Settlement	871 12 8	736 14 11
Police, pound, postal, garden and ferry, &c. ...	797 6 0	874 0 0
Education	850 14 2	6,038 0 0
Medical	913 14 0	633 10 11
Printing of forms	.....	102 11 6
Other items	318 14 6	105 3 10

The decrease under the head "Government Takoli" is due to the Police Takoli not having been paid during the year under report, there being no orders for its payment.

The increase under the head "Grant to Zamindar's family" is due to the re-payment of debts incurred by Rani Sulochana Devi while on pilgrimage, and to a sum of Rs. 500 having been paid for the marriage ceremony of Musst. Dhanumoti, the adopted daughter of Rani Sulochana Devi.

The increase against the head "Education" is due to a sum of Rs. 6,000 having been contributed by the estate for the Rajkumar College at Raipur.

There are a number of necessary public works to be executed in this estate, and they will be taken up in consultation with the Executive Engineer, Chhattisgarh States Roads Division. He has been asked for his opinion as to the employment of additional local supervising agency.

In the assessment of rents of the villages in the two zamindaries, every effort has been made to fix fair rents as suggested by the Administration in paragraph 11 in the last year's Administration Report. No grain rent is realised in any of the villages in the zamindaris. As the tenantry in these zamindaris and in the Khalsa of the district enjoy occupancy rights, no action under Sections 58 and 62 of the Tenancy Act is necessary.

The rent collections are adequate, and no arrears have accrued. The estate is solvent.

(*Commissioner's remarks.*—This is a fairly large and perfectly solvent estate, and I regret that nothing was practically done to improve it in any way during the past year. I have lately visited the neighbouring estate of Phuljhar, where I met the Deputy Commissioner and Mr. Balkrishna Sohani (the Manager of the two estates), and consulted with them on all matters relating to the Borasambar Zamindari. There has been a large balance of money in hand throughout the year, with which much might have been done. Arrangements have now been made for the Executive Engineer to visit both Borasambar and Phuljhar and start works of permanent utility.

I think it is essentially necessary that a competent Overseer should be put in charge of all works in the two zamindaris, and be paid from the funds of these estates, as the amount of money to be expended will be very large, and without proper supervision there is every chance of the works being scamped and money being wasted.

The forest and cattle pound incomes have increased considerably. There is ample room for further expansion of the forest receipts from bamboos and grazing in the south-west corner of the zamindari, and it only requires improved communications from one or two places in the estate up to that part, so as to open up these forests to the people of Borasambar and of the neighbouring zamindaris of Phuljhar and Khariar.

The expenditure on the zamindar's family has been unusually heavy owing to Rani Sulochana Devi, the step-mother of the Minor Zamindar, Narandra Singh, having incurred a good many debts while on pilgrimage.

The forest arrangements require revision, I think. Those of the neighbouring estate of Phuljhar are to be revised, and the opportunity might be taken of framing a scheme which would work well in both estates, on the lines of the new forest scheme I have lately sanctioned for the neighbouring Feudatory State of Sarangarh.

The Manager of this and the Phuljar Zamindari is supposed to furnish security to the extent of Rs. 3,000, but as yet he does not seem to have even commenced paying in any monthly instalments for the purpose.

It is satisfactory to find that there are no arrears of rent collections.)

(*a*) **Phuljhar.**—[*Income Rs.* 41,651-7-7, *Liabilities* Nil.].—The estate was taken under management of the Court of Wards, with the Chief Commissioner's sanction, on the 24th November 1885, owing to the incapability of the Zamindarin, Musst. Kapilas Kumari.

The estate is managed jointly with the Borasambar estate.

The following table shows the demand and realisation of Land Revenue and Cesses, as compared with that of the preceding year :—

Nature of income.	Demand for		Realisation for	
	1891-92.	1892-93.	1891-92.	1892-93.
	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.
Land Revenue, including Cesses...	17,573 15 5	17,708 6 1	17,433 2 7	17,708 6 1

The slight increase in the demand for the year 1892-93 is due to the establishment of ten new villages. The whole demand was realised during the year. The demand of Patwari cess for the year under report was Rs. 1,475-11-0, which was realised, together with the balance of Rs. 5-15-0 for the past year.

The following table shows the income from other sources as compared with that of the preceding year :—

Nature of income.	1891-92.	1892-93.
	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.
Excise	2,680 8 0	3,037 0 0
Forest	13,266 8 6	13,760 12 9
Cattle trespass fines	771 13 9	812 3 6
Sale of unclaimed property	.....	35 9 6
Do. do. cattle	1,085 5 6	499 3 6
Pandhri	908 0 0	840 10 0
Dispensary subscription	1,667 8 0	562 12 0
Ferry and fishery	34 6 0	58 5 0
Other items	1,663 13 11	113 5 9

The excise farm of the estate was leased out for a period of three years, which will expire on the 31st March 1894. The increase in the income is due to the arrears of last year having been realised.

The slight increase under the head "Forest" is apparently due to Hurra having been exported from the estate by Kuchhis to a large extent.

The large decrease against the head "Sale of unclaimed cattle" for the year 1892-93 is due to the fact that last year a sum of Rs. 1,085-5-6 was withdrawn from deposit and credited into the estate fund.

The Pandhri assessment has been made for three years. The demand for the year under report was Rs. 880-8-0, from which Rs. 837-8-0 has been realized. The balance could not be realised owing to the persons on whom the assessment was made, having left the estate during the year under report.

The following table shows the expenditure of the estate as compared with that of the previous year: —

Nature of expenditure.	1891-92.	1892-93.
	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.
Government Takoli	10,198 7 0	10,198 7 0
Grant to Zamindar's family	2,050 0 0	4,511 10 0
Cost of management	5,110 2 6	6,111 13 1
Police and Pounds	2,932 8 6	361 0 0
Education	892 4 6	5,015 0 0
Medical	581 8 5	760 6 4
Printing of forms	18 3 0	179 9 0
Other items	96 8 11	100 11 3

The increase against the head " Grant to Zamindar's family " is due to a sum of Rs. 972-8-0 having been repaid on account of old debts due by the Rani Kapilas Kumari, and to a sum of Rs. 500 having been paid for the marriage ceremony of Narain Sai, grandson of Rani Kapilas Kumari.

Education.—The increase is due to a sum of Rs. 5,000 having been paid on account of contribution for the Rajkumar College at Raipur.

During the year under report, no tacavi loans or loans under the Land Improvement Loans Act were made, as there were no applications for them. The remarks passed by the Chief Commissioner in the last year's Administration Report on the management of private estates, on this subject, will be given effect to in the current year. In the meantime, the Manager of the estate has been directed to take every step in explaining to the people, in all villages, as he passes through, the object and benefit of these loans.

The remarks made in the Borasambar report equally apply to this estate.

(*Commissioner's remarks.*—It is satisfactory to find that the land revenue demand has been fully realised.

The Phuljhar Estate is financially in a very satisfactory condition, the present uninvested balance being close on Rs. 40,000, the exact figures being Rs. 39,851-12-5. Notwithstanding this, however, the whole expenditure of the year on improving the estate did not exceed Rs. 176-6-0. I trust to be able to show in the next annual report that we have acted up to our responsibilities and our trust as managers of the estate to a far greater extent than the above figures indicate that we have hitherto done. A scheme of works has been drawn up, and I have within the last few days gone over it carefully with the Executive Engineer, Chhattisgarh States Roads Division, and have requested him to visit Phuljhar as early as possible and arrange to start the necessary works without delay.

The buildings in the estate other than the police station-house are all katchha ones with thatched roofs, and there is much to be done in the way of improving them ; more especially is it necessary to have a proper building for the Dispensary at Seraipaili. The house now used is the very worst and most unsuitable one for a hospital that I have ever seen.

The forest income has increased, but forest management wants some improving. The rates for forest produce are in some instances very low ; there is apparently no check upon the issue of licenses by vendors, and the number of nakas are probably insufficient. I have lately sanctioned a new forest scheme for the neighbouring Feudatory State of Sarangarh, and I

think that with but little modification it would do well for Phuljhar, as the circumstances of this estate are very similar to those of Sarangarh. The present system of paid forest vendors is bad, as they do but little and are not interested one way or the other so long as their salaries reach them regularly. The plan of paying them by commission on sales should be tried.

The Zamindarin, Kapilas Kumari, has at present no successor to the estate. At the request of the Chief Commissioner I had invited the Zamindarin to meet me at Seraipaili and I then spoke to her on the subject. The result has already been reported demi-officially to the Chief Commissioner.)

(*a.*) Rengali.—[*Income Rs.* 304, *Liabilities Rs.* 165-3-8].—Owing to the indebtedness of Jairam Baboo, this estate was taken under management on the 4th January 1886.

The debt due by the proprietor when the estate was taken under management amounted to Rs. 1,780, which was borrowed from Raja Gokul Dass. Out of this sum Rs. 1,614-12-4 has been repaid, leaving a balance of Rs. 165-3-8, which will be paid off by April next and the estate restored to the proprietor.

The total income from the estate during the year under report amounted to Rs. 333-15-0, including the balance at the commencement of the year under report. From this a sum of Rs. 270 was remitted to Raja Gokul Dass in part satisfaction of the debt due by the estate (Rs. 242-10-3 in principal and the balance in interest). A sum of Rs. 34-0-2 was spent for the management of the estate by the Court of Wards.

As far as information goes, the proprietor has not incurred any fresh debt.

The estate being a very small one and indebted, can hardly afford to make public improvements or tacavi advances.

(*Commissioner's remarks.*—I scarcely think comment is necessary inasmuch as the small balance of debt, Rs. 165-3-8, will be soon paid off, and the village of Rengali will be restored to its owner in a few months' time.)

(*a*) Karandola.—[*Income Rs.* 524-1-5, *Liabilities Rs.* 1,693-8-11].—The estate was taken under the management of the Court of Wards on the 10th July 1886 owing to the indebtedness of Baijnath Bhoi.

The estate consists of three villages, the annual land revenue of which is Rs. 587-13-0.

The total receipts during the year under report amounted to Rs. 539-0-10 including the balance of the last year. There remained a sum of Rs. 100-11-3 on account of land revenue, including the arrears for the past year to be realised. It has since been collected.

During the year under report a sum of Rs. 200 was paid to Raja Gokul Dass in part satisfaction of the debt due by the estate. Of this amount Rs. 93-9-6 was for principal and the balance for interest. The amount spent during the year in the cost of establishment entertained for the management of the estate was Rs. 38-7-7.

In the Revenue Secretary's letter No. 3154, dated the 2nd September 1892, the Chief Commissioner sanctioned the sale of the village Damopali belonging to this estate, by the proprietor, for Rs. 1,575, so as to enable him to pay off the balance due to Raja Gokul Dass; this sanction was applied for on the application of the proprietor himself. But the latter has not been able to effect such a sale, as he failed to secure such favourable terms as he had expected, and there seems to be no immediate prospect of his success.

The sum borrowed from Raja Gokul Dass when the estate was taken under management was Rs. 2,500. Out of this sum Rs. 806-7-1 only has been liquidated. There remains a sum of Rs. 1,693-8-11 still due to Raja Gokul Dass. To repay this sum the estate will continue under management for about seven years more.

The land revenue assessment is not felt to be heavy.

(*Commissioner's remarks.*—The hope entertained in the previous year's report that the proprietor of this small estate would be able, after selling one of the villages, to pay off the debt in full, has not been fulfilled, as he was not successful in finding a purchaser at his own

price. Out of a debt due, when management was assumed on the 10th July 1886, of Rs. 2,500, only Rs. 806-7-1 have as yet been paid off, so that Rs. 1,693-8-11 (principal) have still to be paid to the creditor, Raja Gokul Dass. After paying Government revenue and cesses, cost of management, and debt (principal and interest) there is nothing left for improvements of any kind. Rupees 100-11-2 remained at the close of the year under report as unrealised balance of land revenue, including Rs. 36-15-7, arrears of the previous year, but the whole of this sum is reported to have been collected since.)

General remarks of the Commissioner on the Court of Wards of the Sambalpur District.

The details of the improvements which were effected during the year under report, are given in Statement VIII appended to the Deputy Commissioner's memoranda. Considering the large balances at their credit, the Borasambhar and Phuljhar Estates could certainly have afforded to spend large sums on improvements, and it is to be regretted that so little was actually done in this direction. Considerable provisions have, however, been made on this account in the current year's budgets, and as stated in my critical notes, I have already drawn up, in consultation with Mr. Harriott, a scheme of works to be carried on during the current year in these two important estates, and I trust to be able to show in the next annual report that real and substantial progress has been made under this head.

The Deputy Commissioner, Mr. Walker, is, I think, paying a good deal of attention now to the question of management of Court of Wards estates. The Chief Commissioner's last Resolution on the subject has done much to wake up the District Officers everywhere to their responsibilities in respect to those estates, and I trust I shall be in a position, a year hence, to submit a more satisfactory report than the present one.

There is no District Manager in the Sambalpur District. The three small estates of Ghes, Karandola and Rengali are under the charge of the Tahsildar, while a local Manager has been appointed to look after the two important estates of Phuljhar and Borasambhar. This Manager, Balkrishn Sahani, is a fairly intelligent man, who is now well up in all local knowledge, and he is, I consider, doing his work satisfactorily. He is supposed to furnish security to the extent of Rs. 3,000, but at my late visit to the Phuljhar Zamindari, I found that he had not even commenced to pay in any monthly instalments for the purpose, and I spoke to the Deputy Commissioner about it. He has again been addressed in writing on the subject.

The forest arrangements in both the Phuljhar and Borasambhar Zamindaris require to be revised. I have lately sanctioned a new forest scheme for the neighbouring Feudatory State of Sarangarh, and I believe that our revision of the forest arrangements of the two Court of Wards estates should be somewhat on the lines of the Sarangarh scheme.

The rates for forest produce are in some instances very low, there is no proper check on the issue of licenses by vendors, and the number of nakas are perhaps insufficient, while the pay of the forest peons (Rs. 4 a month) is, I think, somewhat small and might advantageously be increased as they have so many opportunities of harassing the people and of doing harm generally. The system too of paid forest vendors is bad, and it would be better to try the plan of paying them by commissions on sales.

The Manager, however, has not neglected the interests of the Borasambhar and Phuljhar estates in this matter of Forest Administration, as is evidenced by the fact that the forest income in both estates has expanded, and considerably so in Borasambhar.

The settlement of the Phuljhar estate is progressing, and on my visit to Seraipaili, where the Manager's office is located, on the 30th November last, I met the Deputy Commissioner, Mr. Walker, surrounded by tenants of a number of the neighbouring villages. He was trying to get them to agree to certain enhancements of their rents before fixing the new theka jamas on their Gaontias, but from what I saw, I thought that there was a tendency to rush up rents in some few cases too rapidly, and I then suggested to the Deputy Commissioner that all levelling up of rents should be very gradual, and that no enhancement ought to exceed 45 per

cent., and that even then it would be necessary to see first what extent of land was being held by the ryot, and what amount of rent was being paid, and how far the pressure of enhancement would be felt as a hardship.

The question of a successor to the Zamindarin of Phuljhar, Kapilas Kumari, is still unsettled. I had a long talk to her on the subject in accordance with the wish of the Chief Commissioner, but I found her very obstinate, and apparently determined to recognise as her successor one Narain Sai, an ignorant youth of somewhat weak intellect. I have already reported the result of my interview with Musst. Kapilas Kumari to the Chief Commissioner in a demi-official letter, and need therefore add nothing further on the subject here.

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STATEMENTS.

STATEMENT I.—*Showing the general position of each Estate under Government management*

NOTE.—*a* Indicates that the Estate is under the
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Name of District.	Name of Estate.	Name of Proprietor.	Grounds on which management assumed, quoting authority.	Date on which management assumed.	Age of minor (if proprietor a minor) on 30th September.	Total income of year under report from all sources.	ASSETS ON — LANDED PROPERTY CONSISTING OF MAHALS, SHARES IN MAHALS, OR PLOTS IN MAHALS. — Number of whole villages.	Number of shares in villages.	Number of plots.	Total area. — Cultivated.	Total area. — Uncultivated.	Area of sir land.	Annual rental.	Government Revenue and cesses.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15
						Rs. a. p.				Acres.	Acres.	Acres.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.
SAUGOR.	*a* Dhana ...	Musst. Rajo Bai.	Minority (Secy.'s 3586-161, dated 22nd Sept. 1876).	10th Oct. 1876.	20 years.	41,432 9 5	42	13	...	16,974	17,102	...	32,180 13 5	12,844 4 6
	a Tajpur ...	Benishankar.	Minority (Secy.'s 2624—137, dated 17th June 1879).	23rd Aug. 1879.	18 years.	1,168 7 7	1	...	...	459	181	...	1,078 15 8	427 0 0
	a Etawah ...	Rao Raghunath Rao.	Indebtedness (Secy's 4552—143, dated 12th Nov. 1879).	1st Jany. 1880.	...	12,140 9 5	45	...	...	11,108	1,111	...	12,002 8 0	5,899 0 8
	b Barha ...	Raja Mardan Shah.	Insanity (Secy.'s 3011-A, dated 22nd July 1884).	3rd Nov. 1884.	...	2,040 10 1	2	...	...	842	1,192	...	2,029 9 6	338 4 0
	a Mohara ...	Bhagwandass & Mohan Lal.	Minority (Secy.'s 192-S, dated 2nd March 1887).	7th March 1887.	(1) 16 years (2) 12 years	1,549 0 4	1	...	...	300	115	...	687 14 0	317 8 0
					Total ...	58,331 4 10	91	13	...	29,683	19,701	...	47,979 12 7	19,826 1 2
DAMOH.	*a* Singrampur	Thakur Guljar Singh.	Indebtedness (Secy.'s 4509-242, dated 11th Nov. 1879).	20th Jany. 1880.	...	1,187 14 10	7	...	...	1,037	5,910	162	1,071 13 3	663 11 0
	a Khari Deori.	Latkan Singh	Indebtedness Secy.'s C 129-S, dated 22nd January 1886).	1st Oct. 1885.	...	2,145 14 5	12	...	...	2,639	4,496	134	2,136 1 5	496 8 0
	a Hindoria ...	Raghuraj Singh, Chet Singh and Debi Singh.	Minority (Secy.'s 680-S, dated 14th July 1887).	21st July 1887.	18, 16 & 13 years.	3,608 10 2	17	...	...	4,425	14,291	143	2,375 2 10	902 0 0
	a Nibai ...	Ramsahi.	Minority (Secy.'s 53-S, dated 15th June 1889).	26th Dec. 1888.	19 years.	961 7 7	1	5	3	724	3,342	...	933 12 11	470 7 8
	a Tejgarh ...	Bhojraj.	Minority (Secy.'s 345, dated 15th March 1890).	17th April 1890.	...	3,619 6 11	4	9	...	4,040	6,026	60	2,947 4 1	676 0 0
	a Gobra ...	Raja Khet Singh.	Incompetence and indebtedness (*C.P. Gazette* Notification No. 7419-396, dated 16th December 1889).	1st Oct. 1889.	...	2,215 11 1	18	...	...	4,669	9,437	81	2,133 5 11	243 0 0

(*a*)—Include Rs. 3,580, being the
(*b*)— Do. estimated value of
(*c*)—The increase is due to grain
(*d*)—Estimated value of grain in
(*e*)—Includes estimated value of
(*f*)—A Note worth Rs. 600 has
(*g*)—Excluding Rs. 22 written

(*h*)—No amount was shown in this column last year by mistake.

	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.
(*i*).—Last year's ...		96 1 11
Deduct amount realized ...	24 0 0	
Do. struck off ...	21 4 9	
		45 4 0
		50 13 2

(*j*).—The estimated value of the house of the proprietor was, by mistake, shown in this column last year.

	Rs. a. p.
(*k*).—Last year's ...	181 15 11
Deduct collections ...	20 6 0
	161 9 11
Add interest ...	3 0 0
	164 9 11

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Estimated value of house property and land other than that included in columns 8 to 15.	Estimated value of personal property, including jewels and cash.	Cash in hand.	CAPITAL INVESTED.		SUMS DUE TO THE ESTATE OTHER THAN THOSE SHOWN IN COLUMNS 19 & 20.		LIABILITIES.		
			In Government Securities or Railway shares.	In other loans.	Rent arrears.	Other debts.	Government or Court of Wards loans.	Other loans.	TOTAL.
16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25
Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.
a 8,695 0 0	*b* 23,000 0 0	32,630 7 6	1,04,200 0 0	...	1,358 10 10	*c* 28,627 14 7	...	...	..
350 4 0	*d* 170 0 0	79 11 8	...	...	...	870 1 3	...	5,463 6 9	5,463 6 9
1,000 0 0	..	494 2 7	...	...	168 5 2	327 6 11	...	10,787 4 6	10,787 4 6
234 0 0	357 0 0	2,569 13 4	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
173 10 0	*e* 1,889 0 0	493 7 4	*f* 5,400 0 0	...	...	423 1 0	...	...	...
10,452 14 0	25,416 0 0	36,267 10 5	1,09,600 0 0	...	*g* 1,527 0 0	30,248 7 9	...	16,250 11 3	16,250 11 3
h 200 0 0	...	12 8 7	...	...	271 15 8	*i* 50 13 2	..	2,723 1 7	2,723 1 7
j 200 0 0	...	70 14 5	...	...	120 7 1	*k* 164 9 11	...	1,921 13 3	1,921 13 3
7,328 0 0	3,030 0 0	532 3 5	1,000 0 0	...	4 0 0	*l* 2,282 5 9	...	143 11 0	143 11 0
557 0 0	1,442 3 10	478 9 4	500 0 0	...	70 6 3	*m* 4,200 15 9	...	...	...
9,572 1 3	855 0 0	4,161 1 10	1,000 0 0	...	96 9 2	*n* 1,03,237 11 8	...	...	...
550 0 0	1,100 0 0	45 10 3	...	...	126 6 5	*o* 219 14 0	...	6,263 2 3	6,263 2 3

a value of four kothas at Railway Station Bazar, a house at Mauzah Binaka acquired by purchase during the year.
b grain in stock.
c arrears having been commuted to cash during the year under instructions of the Chief Commissioner.
d stock.
e grain in stock.
f been sold during the year, hence the decrease.
g off. (See Statement IV.)

(f).—Last year's ... Rs. a. p. 2,580 5 9
Deduct amount realized 255 11 0
Do. struck off ... 195 7 0
451 2 0
2,129 3 9
Add—
Cost of suits and interest ... 28 2 0
Takavi advanced ... 125 0 0
2,282 5 9

(m).—Last year's balance ... 3,891 12 6
Deduct realized on account of principal and interest ... 199 2
3,692 9 7
Add—
Last year's interest 364 4 8
Interest and cost allowed ... 87 13 6
Takavi ... 56 4 0
508 6 2
4,200 15 9

(s) Last year ... ... Rs. a. p. 1,01,955 8 8
Add last year's interest ... 3,150 15 7
Instalment due on instalment bonds recovered from records of Civil Suits ... 196 12 0
Bahikhata grain accounts converted into cash ... 437 14 1
Cost allowed by Court ... 403 3 6
4,188 13 2
Deduct—
1,03,144 5 10
Cost and principal realized ... 1,328 4 11
Amount struck off ... 1,578 5 3
2,906 10 2
1,03,237 11 8

(o) Last year's ... 158 4 0
Deduct realized ... 11 0 0
147 4 0
Add interests and costs allowed by Court ... 72 10 0
Total ... 219 14 0

STATEMENT I.—*Showing the general position of each Estate under Government management*

NOTE.—*a* Indicates that the Estate is under the
b " " is managed.
c " " "

Name of District.	Name of Estate.	Name of Proprietor.	Grounds on which management assumed, quoting authority.	Date on which management assumed.	Age of minor (if proprietor a minor) on 30th September.	Total income of year under report from all sources.	ASSETS ON — LANDED PROPERTY CONSISTING OF MAHALS, SHARES IN MAHALS, OR PLOTS IN MAHALS. — Number of whole villages	Number of shares in village	Number of plots.	Total area — Cultivated.	Total area — Uncultivated	Area of sir land.	Annual rental.	Government Revenue and cesses.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15
						Rs. a. p.				Acres.	Acres.	Acres.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.
Damoh.—(Cont'd.)	Konda Kalan.	(1) Daryao Singh. (2) Kathar Singh. (3) Mustt. Hira. (4) Mustt. Lohasajia. (5) Tigga. (6) Balkrishna. (7) Hirdey. (8) Hari Singh.	Incompetence (*C. P. Gazette* Notification No. 7013, dated 4th November 1890.)	17th Nov. 1890.	...	1,210 0 10	8	(q) 1	...	1,66[illegible]	(q) 4,049	219	1,235 0 10	516 15 5
	Hatri ...	Raja Harbans Rai.	Incompentence (*C.P. Gazette* Notification No. 7124, dated 8th October 1891.)	28th Octr. 1891.	...	11,532 9 10	30	2	...	14,405	24,[illegible]	1,022	10,[illegible] 9 6	943 2 10
					Total ...	26,512 1 8	9[illegible]	1[illegible]	[illegible]	33,60[illegible]	71,74[illegible]	1,821	23,742 2 10	4,911 12 6
Jubbulpore.	*a* Bhidari ...	Gokulchand.	Minority (Secy.'s 317-1, dated 31st January 1872).	13th May 1872.	23 years.	Management	reli	nqui	shed	during	the ye	ar.		
	a Imlai ...	Lallee Sahib.	Minority (Secy.'s 2131-106, dated 4th July 1873).	18th Nov. 1873.	23 years.	Management	reli	nqui	shed	during	the ye	ar.		
	a Budhagarh.	Behwar Nirpat Singh, Raghubar Singh.	Indebtedness (Commissioner's 3309, dated 12th June 1876.	1st Dec. 1875.	...	29,972 13 4	5[illegible]	...	9	20,802	29,0[illegible]	656	28,722 2 5	11,737 1 7
	c Bujarangarh.	Thakur Kirat Singh, Thakur Bir Singh Deo.	Indebtedness (Secy.'s 3333-145, dated 20th September 1875).	1st January 1876.	...	5,640 7 9	6	...	2	2,430	1,496	468	6,007 7 5	2,339 9 8
	a Khitola ...	Niranjan Pershad.	Minority (Secy.'s 2104-108, dated 10th June 1881).	25th July 1881.	21 years.	15,362 7 11	9	...	...	7,100	2,959	549	12,688 5 8	5,510 5 2
	a Pounda ...	Bishandat Sukal.	Minority (Secy.'s 1327-93, dated 6th May 1882).	29th May 1882.	18 years.	18,846 13 10	13	2	5	1,618	5,700	519	14,245 8 2	5,649 12 1
	a Pounsra ...	Mustt. Lalta Bai.	Minority (Secy.'s 1730-87, dated 13th May 1882).	18th May 1882.	14 years.	862 11 7	3	...	...	1,342	4,785	162	583 14 9	308 5 0
	a Bhatgowan.	Kunjal Singh	Minority (Secy.'s 858-S, dated 13th October 1886).	1st Dec. 1887.	8 years.	2,279 14 0	13	...	3	3,535	2,449	65	1,872 15 6	1,046 8 0
	a Bandha ...	Debi Dass ...	Minority (Secy.'s 816-S, dated 17th Aug. 1887).	1st October 1887.	19 years.	7,884 0 11	5	19	19	2,912	4,332	227	6,532 14 7	2,004 10 3
	a Ganyari ..	Harbans Pershad.	Minority (Secy.'s 1244-5, dated 8th December 1887).	1st Jany. 1888.	7 years.	7,661 4 7	10	10	[illegible]	3,203	6,565	291	5,275 4 2	2,312 12 10

(*p*).—Last year's figures were incorrect.
(*q*).—The figures shown in columns 11, 12, 13 of Statement I in the last year's report were those of the old Settlement. Those now given are
(*r*).—Last year no amount was shown by mistake in this column. The proprietors have two houses, one at Piparia and the other at Konda, of
(*s*).—Excluding Rs. 284-11-10 written off (see Statement IV).

...the Central Provinces, during the year ending the 30th September 1893.—(Contd).

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Estimated value of house property and land other than that included in columns 8 to 15.	Estimated value of personal property, including jewels and cash.	Cash in hand.	CAPITAL INVESTED.		SUMS DUE TO THE ESTATE OTHER THAN THOSE SHOWN IN COLUMNS 19 AND 20.		LIABILITIES.		
			In Government Securities or Railway shares.	In other loans.	Rent arrears.	Other debts.	Government or Court of Wards loans.	Other loans.	TOTAL.
16	17	18	19	20	21	23	23	24	25
Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.
*600 0 0	...	25 15 10	...	...	84 6 9	...	...	9,500 0 0	9,500 0 0
6,709 0 0	7,071 0 0	968 14 11	...	...	181 4 8	290 5 0	...	29,399 2 0	29,399 2 0
25,716 1 3	13,498 3 10	6,295 14 7	2,500 0 0	...	*955 8 0	1,10,446 11 3	...	49,950 14 1	49,950 14 1
24,250 0 0	66,550 0 0	3,163 1 4	...	...	5,395 10 7	11,657 1 6	...	22,571 9 0	22,571 9 0
2,000 0 0	2,000 0 0	647 3 5	...	...	1,069 3 0	1,307 4 3	...	21,451 7 6	21,451 7 6
4,650 0 0	14,750 0 0	33,528 4 1	6,000 0 0	...	1,682 9 5	21,685 8 9	...	...	...
4,250 0 0	12,000 0 0	4,029 4 8	...	...	1,023 5 1	13,256 10 0	...	...	...
400 0 0	200 0 0	2,044 6 11	1,000 0 0	...	22 8 0	146 8 0	...	...	...
425 0 0	250 0 0	501 2 3	...	...	103 10 9	90 0 0	2,343 12 0	...	2,343 12 0
5,000 0 0	7,000 0 0	1,973 6 6	...	...	1,650 1 4	14,385 0 0	20,622 2 0	...	20,622 2 0
5,000 0 0	2,700 0 0	17,681 10 2	...	...	350 8 1	1,039 2 0	...	...	...

according to the new survey. The figures for other Estates were corrected last year, but this estate was for some reason overlooked.
*The estimated value of Rs. 600.

STATEMENT I.—*Showing the general position of each Estate under Government management.*

NOTE.—*a* Indicates that the Estate is under the
b " " is managed
c " " "

Name of District.	Name of Estate.	Name of Proprietor.	Grounds on which management assumed, quoting authority.	Date on which management assumed.	Age of minor (if proprietor a minor) on 30th September.	Total income of year under report from all sources.	ASSETS ON LANDED PROPERTY CONSISTING OF MAHALS, SHARES IN MAHALS, OR PLOTS IN MAHALS.							
							Number of whole villages.	Number of shares in villages.	Number of plots.	Total area. Cultivated.	Total area. Uncultivated.	Area of sir land	Annual rental.	Government Revenue and cesses.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15
						Rs. a. p.				Acres	Acres	Acres.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.
JUNNUTORE—(Contd.)	*a* Bijora ...	Musst. Somal.	Incompetence (Secy.'s 307-S, dated 5th April 1888).	1st May 1888.	...	1,124 4 1	...	3	...	349	229	...	999 11 7	594 14 11
	a Bijori ...	Narbada Parshad.	Minority (Secy.'s 307-S, dated 5th April 1888).	1st May 1888.	18 years.	7,212 6 0	7	3	...	2,712	1,709	137	5,644 7 9	3,004 1 0
	a Nimi, Bhidari.	Hazari Lal...	Lunacy (Secy.'s 307-S, dated 5th March 1889).	1st April 1889.	...	808 13 9	1	1	...	422	171	93	853 14 2	476 7 0
	a Mudia ...	Ajudhia Parshad.	Minority (Secy.'s 3395, dated 22nd August 1890).	10th June 1890.	...	6,394 11 11	4	3	2	2,372	805	327	5,589 4 11	3,155 12 0
	a Mohania ...	Chuni Lal ...	Minority (Secy.'s 3, dated 2nd January 1890).	15th Jany. 1890.	...	42,359 9 3	4	4	3	2,816	854	172	7,811 11 5	2,940 0 7
					Total ...	1,46,411 6 11	133	45	46	52,673	61,120	3,636	96,827 10 6	41,130 4 1
MAHULA.	*a* Singharpur.	(1) Dayaram Tiwari. (2) Gaya Parshad Tiwari.	Minority (Secy.'s 1310-70, dated 16th April 1881).	1st July 1880.	(1) 24 years 6 months. (2) 13 years 6 months.	2,231 9 2	38	...	...	6,425	26,209	...	1,561 3 9	840 1 2
	a Ghagha ...	(1) Brijnandan Tiwari. (2) Kanhya Lal Tiwari.	Minority and indebtedness (Secy.'s 463-S, dated 7th July 1885).	31st Augt. 1885.	(1) 21 years (2) 15 years	1,180 14 6	12	...	...	1,265	6,578	...	893 11 0	575 8 8
					Total ...	3,471 7 8	50	...	...	7,758	32,781	...	2,454 14 9	1,415 4 10
SAMOR.	*a* Dhuma ...	Ujayar Singh	Minority and indebtedness (Secy.'s 2386-125, dated 31st July 1873).	9th Augt. 1873.	20 years 6 months.	Management relinquished during the year.								
	a Khursipar...	Nathe Khan.	Indebtedness (Secy.'s 1018-48, dated 21st March 1878).	21st Oct. 1878.	...	Management relinquished during the year.								
	a Lakhnadon.	(1) Keshri Singh. (2) Dharam Singh. (3) Kalandar Singh. (4) Churaman Singh.	Minority and indebtedness (Secy.'s 1218-64, dated 12th April 1881).	20th May 1881.	(3) 21 years (4) 12 years	4,293 6 0	18	1	...	8,051	7,487	...	4,738 15 6	1,177 4 0
	a Maina Pipasria.	Wazir Ali Khan.	Indebtedness (Secy.'s 819-S, dated 2nd October 1886).	5th Augt. 1886.	...	1,844 14 6	4	...	...	2,385	1,563	571	2,221 8 6	608 0 0
	a Bamhni ...	Ameen Mahomed Khan.	Minority (Secy.'s 333-S, dated 9th March 1889).	1st April 1889.	16 years.	Management relinquished during the year.								
	a Kaniwara...	Mahomed Zakaria Khan.	Incompetence (*C. P. Gazette* Notification No. 2478-258, dated 28th April 1890).	5th Augt. 1890.	...	7,300 14 0	17	1	2	7,193	10,400	1,494	6,465 4 3	1,825 2 0
	a Jhamar ...	...	Incompetence (*C. P. Gazette* Notification No. 2147, dated 14th April 1890).	20th June 1890.	...	559 13 6	7	...	...	3,395	2,710	567	466 11 6	218 4 0

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Estimated value of house property and land other than that included in columns 8 to 15.	Estimated value of personal property, including jewels and cash.	Cash in hand.	CAPITAL INVESTED.		SUMS DUE TO THE ESTATE OTHER THAN THOSE SHOWN IN COLUMNS 19 AND 20.		LIABILITIES.		
			In Government Securities or Railway shares.	In other loans.	Rent arrears.	Other debts.	Government or Court of Wards loans.	Other loans.	TOTAL.
16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25
Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.
400 0 0	864 0 0	2,220 7 6	...	...	122 13 11	33 6 0	...	...	...
9,600 0 0	5,112 0 0	20,794 12 3	...	...	687 2 8	6,517 5 8	...	...	...
2,500 0 0	300 0 0	284 14 2	...	...	68 12 5	900 13 0	...	4,956 5 0	4,956 5 0
6,500 0 0	800 0 0	1,771 14 8	...	...	993 0 7	2,410 8 3	...	639 3 3	639 3 3
24,640 0 0	8,428 0 0	1,754 14 1	...	2,000 0 0	1,171 4 10	45,994 3 5	...	21,428 9 9	21,428 9 9
89,915 0 0	1,20,954 0 0	90,395 6 0	7,000 0 0	2,000 0 0	14,340 10 8	1,19,723 7 4	22,985 14 0	71,027 2 6	94,013 0 6
1,100 0 0	2,000 0 0	7,013 15 4	2,000 0 0	1,044 2 0	893 6 0	...	...	...	...
310 0 0	400 0 0	891 1 7	...	...	225 5 0	...	...	...	...
1,410 0 0	2,400 0 0	7,905 0 11	2,000 0 0	1,044 2 0	1,118 11 0	...	...	...	...
700 0 0	1,487 0 0	666 6 7	...	...	895 10 6	...	...	12,088 8 6	12,088 8 9
435 0 0	620 0 0	469 2 10	...	...	393 5 0	500 0 0	...	...	...
...	2,930 0 0	3,354 9 5	...	...	1,421 7 6	...	...	...	...
63 0 0	...	84 13 2	...	...	...	...	163 13 2	...	163 12 2

DAMOH DISTRICT.

Mr. F. C. Cooke, I. C. S., Deputy Commr.

(*a*) Singrampur.—[*Income Rs.* 1,187-14-7, *Liabilities Rs.* 2,723-1-7].—This estate consists of seven whole villages and was taken under management in January 1880, on account of debt. The proprietor, Gulzar Singh, is a Gond of about 53 years of age. He has four sons, all adults. There are also co-sharers owning a four-anna share. Singrampur lies on the Jubbulpore road, half way between Damoh and Jubbulpore. The soil is not very rich and mainly suited for kharif crops. The uncultivated area is nearly six times the cultivated.

Income from all sources amounts to Rs. 1,211-14-10. Receipts under the head of 'Sair' have increased from Rs. 51-14-0 last year to Rs. 168, chiefly owing to a good mohwa crop and better arrangements for protecting and disposing of it will be made. The rent demand was Rs. 1,071-13-3, of which Rs. 921-13-4 was collected, leaving Rs. 149-15-11 in arrears. Of the arrears demand of Rs. 192-9-3, Rs. 70-9-3 was collected, leaving Rs. 122 still uncollected. The total arrears were therefore Rs. 271-15-11. These results are not good, but further collections, amounting to Rs. 197-12-8, were made in October just after the year closed. This amount was due by the proprietor himself for land cultivated by him. Owing to the difficulty experienced in recovering rent from him this land has been taken from him, and he now only holds Sir land sufficient to support him and his family, for which he pays no rent. At the present time the arrears are only Rs. 74-3-0, of which only Rs. 5-5-11 are on account of previous years. This will, it is hoped, be collected with the January kist. As in Konda and indeed more or less throughout the district, the rabi crops were much damaged by frost and rust.

The jama and cesses—hitherto Rs. 663-11-0—will increase this year to Rs. 1,028-7-0, with estimated rental of only Rs. 1,415-12-0. After paying the Patwaris and Kotwars' dues the profits will not exceed Rs. 350. This includes rental value of Sir. Of this, land to the annual value of Rs. 88-12-0, is with the proprietors, rent free.

This will render repayment of debt very difficult. A sum of Rs. 2,723-1-7 remains to be paid. The Deputy Commissioner proposed in June and the Commissioner sanctioned the sale of a portion of the valuable teak in the Sagoni Forest with a view to reducing the debt. Steps were taken to carry this out, and the sale was advertised in this district and in Jubbulpore. In August, however, the Forest Department revived a long dormant proposal for annexing the whole area of Sagoni to the Singrampur Reserve in exchange for the village of Deori now in the Forest. On this account probably no offers for the teak were received. There is a garden at Singrampur, but there is no income from it, and the garden itself is not a success. The gardener has been discontinued.

The proprietors were hitherto allowed 162·30 acres of Sir land for maintenance. It has been found necessary to reduce this to 101·25, of which about a half is held by Gulzar Singh and his sons, and a half by the other co-sharers. This should suffice to maintain them, and it is all that can be afforded.

(*a*) Khari Deori.—[*Income Rs.* 2,145-14-5, *Liabilities Rs.* 1,921-13-3].—This estate was taken over by the Court of Wards in October 1885 owing to the indebtedness of the proprietor, Latkan Singh. He is a Gond of about 47 years of age, and lives at Pumhori on his estate in the extreme south of the district. He is without children, and has on this account lately married a second wife. There are twelve villages. They are jungly; the soil is inferior and the tenants poor.

The total receipts are Rs. 2,166-4-5; of this rent collections amount to Rs. 2,108-3-4; collections on account of the current year amount to 96 per cent. of the demand.

The Government revenue and cesses amounts to only Rs. 496-8-0, on a rent-roll of Rs. 2,136. This year under the new settlement the jama and cesses will increase to about Rs. 1,500, the assets being taken at Rs. 2,680. Nothing was spent on improvements or takavi owing to the indebted condition of the estate. The balance left to pay off is not large, being only Rs. 1,921-13-3, but the increase of the jama by the new settlement will render repayment

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Estimated value of house property and land other than that included in columns 8 to 15.	Estimated value of personal property, including jewels and cash.	Cash in hand.	CAPITAL INVESTED.		SUMS DUE TO THE ESTATE OTHER THAN THOSE SHOWN IN COLUMNS 19 & 20.		LIABILITIES.		
			In Government Securities or Railway shares.	In other loans.	Rent arrears.	Other debts.	Government or Court of Wards loans.	Other loans.	TOTAL.
16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25
Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.
3,000 0 0	2,216 0 0	65 15 1	...	...	725 10 3	...	...	8,494 8 9	8,494 8 9
3,200 0 0	3,970 0 0	859 14 0	...	...	815 6 6	7,029 13 10	...	19,932 11 9	19,932 11 9
7,403 0 0	11,223 0 0	5,500 13 1	...	..	4,251 7 9	7,529 13 10	163 12 2	40,515 13 0	40,679 9 2
1,34,896 15 3	1,73,491 3 10	1,46,364 13 0	1,21,100 0 0	3,044 2 0	(t) 22,193 5 5	2,67,648 8 2	23,129 10 2	1,77,764 8 10	2,00,894 3 0
			v						
23,425 0 0	3,568 14 7	10,673 0 11	10,144 1 9	22,976 9 5	...	3,782 10 7	...	...	...
24,250 0 0	5,916 0 0	1,277 10 4	...	...	429 6 9	w 18,129 10 9	13,500 0 0	49,546 9 3	63,046 9 3
300 0 0	200 0 0	128 6 0	...	...	40 8 3	x 180 1 9	...	7,054 0 9	7,054 0 9
1,500 0 0	300 0 0	1 10 11	...	293 0 0	334 12 0	578 11 11	...	9,131 4 0	9,131 4 0
						1			
16,484 0 0	...	6,379 7 1	...	760 0 0	1,076 8 9	15,472 4 1	...	...	...
300 0 0	50 0 0	131 2 7	...	...	...	212 5 8	...	365 1 0	365 1 0
495 0 0	...	58 2 5	...	...	29 13 3	116 3 3	...	466 14 2	466 14 2
670 0 0	278 10 0	64 13 10	...	...	36 1 8	207 6 7	...	456 5 0	456 5 0
1,500 0 0	1,627 13 0	6 0 1	...	...	196 6 2	952 13 7	...	3,690 1 9	3,690 1 9
						(4)			
700 0 0	1,061 0 0	1,478 9 1	...	...	...	574 13 3	...	...	...

(v)—Included Rs. 915 on account of interest on Savings Bank.

(w)—Last year's ... Rs. 22,781 10 5
Remitted 3,088 7 0
Realized 19,693 3 5
1,563 8 8
18,129 10 9

of Chirria and Chargao are for whole villages, though villages not being partitioned.

(2)—The areas entered are those of the whole villages as these are not partitioned.—

(3)—Including Rs. 10-4-10 remained to be paid to a proprietor as revenue. This figure does not, therefore tally with the figure in column 3 of Statement III.

(4)—Last year's Rs. 616 a. 3 p. 3
Remitted 41 6 0
574 13 3

STATEMENT I.—*Showing the general position of each Estate under Government*

NOTE.—*a* indicates that the Estate is under the
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Name of District.	Name of Estate.	Name of Proprietor.	Grounds on which management assumed, quoting authority.	Date on which management assumed	Age of minor (if proprietor a minor) on 30th September.	Total income of year under report from all sources.	ASSETS ON							
							LANDED PROPERTY CONSISTING OF MAHALS, SHARES IN MAHALS, OR PLOTS IN MAHALS							
							Number of whole villages.	Number of shares in villages.	Number of plots.	Total area. Cultivated.	Total area. Uncultivated	Area of sir land.	Annual rental.	Government revenue and cesses.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15
						Rs. a. p.				Acres.	Acres.	Acres.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.
NARSINGHPUR.—(Concld.)	*a* Baroda ...	Musst. Sunder.	Minority (Secy.'s 135, dated 14th January 1885).	23rd July 1885.	17 years.	640 3 9	...	1	...	104	22	57	276 8 0	146 6 6
	a Chirchitta ..	(1) Ram Lall (2) Jawahir Lall.	Incompetence (Secy.'s 643S, dated 11th August 1886).	1st Septr. 1886.	..	597 12 6	...	2	1	200	153	72	605 11 3	187 1 0
	a Umaria ...	Musst. Piari Bai.	Incompetence (Secy.'s 378-S, dated 9th June 1886).	9th June 1886.	...	10,653 12 4	14	...	...	7,969	5,777	738	9,576 15 5	5,774 4 0
	a Bakori ...	(1) Ajudhya Parshad (2) Manik Lall.	Incompetence (Secy.'s 180-S, dated 2nd Octr. 1886).	1st Novr. 1886.	...	440 6 3	...	1	...	181	(7) 344	...	439 4 3	94 0 0
	a Khamaria ..	Musst. Dalpa Janoti and Mathura.	Incompetence (Secy.'s 880-S, dated 19th Octr. 1886).	Do.	...	Management relinquished during the year.								
	a Singhpur ...	Jagat Singh and Dhiraj Singh.	Incompetence (Secy.'s 256-S, dated 23rd March 1887).	15th April 1887.	...	10,395 3 9	6	2	1	5,822	3,702	630	7,129 7 8	3,214 5 4
	a Bambori ...	Rao Harshankar Lall.	Incompetence (Secy.'s 300-S, dated 4th April 1887).	4th April 1887.	...	4,979 6 3	2	1	...	3,074	1,025	170	4,827 2 7	2,024 8 8
	a Surra ...	Mukundi Lall and Kunhya Lall.	Incompetence (Secy.'s 445-S, dated 5th May 1887).	25th June 1887.	...	760 7 0	1	1	...	448	114	88	715 7 6	233 14 0

		Rs. a. p.
(5).—Last year's	...	1,646 5 9
Remitted	...	287 1 9
Balance ...		1,359 4 0
(5).—Last year's	...	731 9 0
Remitted	...	6 13 0
Total ...		724 12 0
Realized	...	9 0 0
Balance ...		715 12 0

(7).—This represents the area of the waste land in common by both the proprietors, it not being partitioned.

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Estimate value of house property, and of other than that included in columns 8 to 15.	Estimated value of personal property, including jewels and cash.	Cash in hand.	CAPITAL INVESTED.		SUMS DUE TO THE ESTATE OTHER THAN THOSE SHOWN IN COLUMNS 19 & 20.		LIABILITIES.		
			In Government Securities or Railway shares.	In other loans.	Rent arrears.	Other debts.	Government or Court of Wards loans.	Other loans.	TOTAL.
16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25
Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.
380 0 0	527 11 0	2,720 15 0	...	...	...	(5) 1,350 4 0	...	...	...
200 0 0	245 0 0	118 3 1	...	...	22 0 0	(6) 715 12 5	...	2,415 8 1	2,415 8 1
20,000 0 0	...	440 8 3	...	...	156 5 0	2,258 12 2	...	3,131 14 0	3,131 14 0
200 0 0	98 0 0	56 12 1	...	...	16 0 0	(8) 393 2 9	293 0 0	2,523 4 9	2,816 4 9
12,447 0 0	396 4 0	541 6 1	..	...	110 7 9	(9) 1,625 10 0	...	63,162 9 1	63,162 9 1
550 0 0	402 0 0	127 4 4	...	...	20 3 6	(10) 9,318 13 9	...	25,336 12 9	25,336 12 9
1,100 0 0	295 0 0	20 0 3	...	...	82 10 6	303 15 0	...	3,784 11 0	3,784 11 0

(5).—Last year's ... ... Rs. 432 a. 2 p. 9
Remitted 39 0 0
393 2 9

(6).—Last year's 1,778 10 0
Deduct—
Remitted ... 100 0 0
Realized ... 53 0 0
153 0 0
Balance ... 1,625 10 0

(10).—Last year's ... ... Rs. 14,650 a. 1 p. 0
Remitted 5,101 7 9
9,548 9 3
Realized 229 11 6
Balance ... 9,318 13 9

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Name of District.	Name of Estate.	Name of Proprietor.	Grounds on which management assumed, quoting authority.	Date on which management assumed.	Age of minor (if proprietor a minor) on 30th September.	Total income of year under report from all sources.	ASSETS ON — LANDED PROPERTY CONSISTING OF MAHALS, SHARES IN MAHALS, OR PLOTS IN MAHALS. — Number of whole villages.	Number of shares in villages.	Number of plots.	Total area. Cultivated.	Total area. Uncultivated.	Area of sir land.	Annual rental.	Government Revenue and cesses.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15
						Rs. a. p.				Acres.	Acres.	Acres.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.
NARSINGHPUR.—(Concld.)	*a* Bhugwara	Benisingh	Minority (Secy.'s 446-S, dated 8th May 1887).	1st June 1887.	...	2,008 7 6	1	...	...	893	109	186	1,512 12 7	745 8 0
	a Hatnapur	Raja Singram Shah.	Indebtedness (Secy.'s 327-S, dated 28th March 1888).	15th April 1888.	...	1,697 13 3	8	...	1	2,492	26,137	264	1,044 12 4	522 8 0
	a Bagaspur	(1) Holkar Singh. (2) Partab Singh.	Minority and indebtedness (Secy.'s 1443, dated 29th Octr. 1888).	1st July 1889.	...	1,704 7 0	...	3	...	513	(11) 1,280	126	1,503 14 0	598 7 6
	Amgaon	Rao Anrud Singh.	Incompetence (*Central Provinces Gazette*, Notification No. 2379, dated 15th April 1891).	6th May 1891	...	4,646 8 11	6	...	...	2,740	813	277	3,900 1 8	2,202 0 10
	Gortalao	Hayatkhan	Indebtedness (Junior Secy.'s, No. 628-S, dated 13th March 1891).	Novr. 1892.	...	Management assumed during the year.								
					Total	1,15,939 13 9	93	32	120	72,925	58,845	4,319	98,472 6 8	(13) 40,013 9 2
HOSHANGABAD.	*a* Babai	Dawlat Ram Manik-chand.	Indebtedness (Secy's 1780-28, dated 3rd March 1877.	20th Jany. 1877.	...	21,577 9 10	19	...	...	21,004	4,279	2,063	19,511 11 8	10,574 13 6
	a Malhan-wara.	Kanhya Lall and Kampta Parshad.	Indebtedness ...	5th Feby. 1879.	...	909 10 9	1	...	2	696	96	127	788 0 0	364 12 8
	a Guraria	Khumansingh and Anupsingh.	Indebtedness (Secy's 4179, dated 7th Novr. 1882).	15th Septr. 1882.	...	3,343 13 6	2	...	...	1,373	555	283	3,387 2 8	965 6 9
	a Nipania	Musst. Sipra Bai.	Indebtedness (Secy.'s 686-S, dated 15th Septr. 1885).	9th Septr. 1885.	...	23,138 14 5	3	2	277	5,364	2,178	1,127	20,257 0 6	4,057 0 1
	a Fattehpur	Rani Umedkuar.	Indebtedness (Secy.'s 1222, dated 15th Feby. 1887).	13th June 1887.	...	56,064 11 2	84	...	...	57,631	86,289	3,289	48,706 11 6	26,392 2 4

(*11*).—This represents the whole area owned by all the proprietors in common.

			Rs. a. p.
(*12*).—Last year's	...	...	1,853 9 6
Remitted	...	...	652 5 6
			1,201 4 0
Realized	...	...	145 0 0
	Balance	...	1,056 4 0

(*13*).—Including Rs. 13-4-10 (see Statement III.)

management in the Central Provinces, during the year ending the 30th September 1893.—(Contd.)

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Estimated value of house property and land other than that included in columns 8 to 15.	Estimated value of personal property including jewels and cash.	Cash in hand.	CAPITAL INVESTED. In Government Securities or Railway shares	CAPITAL INVESTED. In other loans.	SUMS DUE TO THE ESTATE OTHER THAN THOSE SHOWN IN COLUMNS 19 & 20. Rent arrears.	SUMS DUE TO THE ESTATE OTHER THAN THOSE SHOWN IN COLUMNS 19 & 20. Other debts.	LIABILITIES. Government or Court of Wards loans.	LIABILITIES. Other loans.	LIABILITIES. TOTAL.
16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25
Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.
500 0 0	924 0 0	346 0 3	...	...	...	2,426 5 4	...	...	...
5,062 0 0	200 0 0	188 2 7	...	...	69 9 11	134 11 6	...	6,499 8 0	6,499 8 0
1,020 0 0	585 0 0	108 6 9	...	...	44 8 0	(12) 1,056 4 0	...	4,214 5 3	4,214 5 3
11,000 0 0	1,950 0 0	85 5 2	...	...	63 9 1	...	...	11,420 12 6	11,420 12 6
1,22,083 0 0	18,625 10 7	24,051 15 1	10,144 1 9	24,029 9 5	2,727 14 7	59,799 12 4	13,793 0 0	1,93,199 9 4	2,06,992 9 4
...	...	2,001 11 2	...	...	2,391 4 4	899 4 9	...	27,507 4 9	27,507 4 9
...	...	150 14 8	...	...	273 6 3	...	...	1,349 12 8	1,349 12 8
...	...	402 15 10	...	...	380 4 11	...	...	29,490 10 2	29,490 10 2
15,000 0 0	...	(14) 6,402 8 7	...	...	3,024 3 11	(15) 3,13,664 0 8	...	44,541 12 11	44,541 12 11
10,000 0 0	10,000 0 0	23,415 7 7	95,300 0 0	1,913 14 8	7,705 12 2	20,058 13 7	...	...	...

		Rs. a. p.
(14).—Excluding value of grain, *viz*, in Treasury.		6,390 7 7
In hand of Mohariz	...	12 1 0
Total	...	6,402 8 7
Add—Value of grain	...	5,836 0 2
GRAND TOTAL	...	12,238 8 9

		Rs. a. p.
(15).—Cash	...	2,81,921 0 11
Value of grain	...	31,742 6 9
Total	...	3,13,664 0 8

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Name of District.	Name of Estate.	Name of Proprietor.	Grounds on which management assumed, quoting authority.	Date on which management assumed.	Age of minor (if proprietor a minor) on 30th September.	Total income of year under report from all sources.	ASSETS ON — LANDED PROPERTY CONSISTING OF MAHALS, SHARES IN MAHALS, OR PLOTS IN MAHALS. — Number of whole villages.	Number of shares in villages.	Number of plots.	Total area. Cultivated.	Total area. Uncultivated.	Area of sir land.	Annual rental.	Government Revenue and cesses.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15
						Rs. a. p				Acres.	Acres	Acres.	Rs. a. p	Rs. a. p.
HOSHANGABAD.	Ganera ...	Ram Singh ...	Incompetence (*C. P. Gazette* Notification No. 7028, dated 5th November 1890).	5th Septr. 1890.	...	9,992 11 0	5	...	26	5,078	1,372	957	10,092 1 11	2,689 8 0
	Behrakheri ..	Maharaj Singh and Dulichand.	Indebtedness (Junior (Secy.'s 659 S. dated 28th January 1891).	28th Jany. 1891.	...	14,747 0 11	5	1	18	4,540	1,411	2,003	14,431 6 6	3,564 15 9
	Issurpur ...	Maharaj Singh and Prag Singh	Incompetence (*C. P. Gazette* Notification No. 7028, dated 5th November 1890).	22nd Novr. 1890.	...	5,238 8 7	2	...	1	1,802	1,331	402	5,283 0 2	1,314 4 0
	Sobhapur ...	Raja Oomrao Shah.	Junior (Secy.'s 3805, dated 20th September 1890)	22nd Novr 1890.	9 years ...	45,163 3 5	71	1	...	51,691	18,694	17,748	43,128 9 5	24,992 5 9
	Chhater ...	Raja Pahlad Shah.	Minority (Revenue (Secy.'s No 1180, dated 7th March 1893).	1st April 1893.	9 years ...		Management assumed during the year.							
					Total ...	1,80,176 3 7	102	4	324	1,49,181	66,205	28,059	1,65,587 12 4	74,915 4 10
NIMAR.	*b.* Mandhatta.	Rao Yeshwant Singh	Minority (Secy.'s 4357-238, dated 25th November 1882).	20th May 1883.	16 years 6 months.	32,888 3 0	4	1	14	2,178	4,996	8	2,192 9 4	198 14 4
	a. Dertalai ...	Kesho Rao Jagirdhar.	Incompetence (Secy.'s 1077-S, dated 5th November 1887).	1st April 1888.	...	3,112 11 5	9	...	...	3,883	10,464	162	1,304 4 0	223 9 3
					Total ..	36,000 14 5	13	1	14	6,061	15,460	170	3,586 13 4	427 7 7
BETUL.	*a.* Kolgaon ...	Kishna Rao Baikunth Rao and Dasharath Rao.	Minority (Secy.'s 537 S, dated 23rd July 1886).	23rd June 1886.	...	1,004 13 10	3	...	4	2,544	4,115	78	1,063 8 6	565 12 0
	b. Kheri ...	Narain Rao.	Minority (Act XL of 1858).	30th March 1888.	...	1,008 6 10	2	1	46	3,194	228	510	691 7 6	532 0 0
	a. Sainkhera	Musst Rukhma Bai.	Incompetence (*C. P. Gazette* Notification No. 2075, dated 13th May 1889).	19th May 1889.	...	5,222 11 3	5	...	47	8,006	1,097	963	2,815 15 7	1,877 0 0
	b. Kesia ...	Musst. Rukis Bai.	Minority (Act XL of 1858).	21st June 1889.	...	6,035 10 6	9	...	866	11,256	4,837	1,076	3,251 2 8	490 4 0
	b. Masode ...	(1) Laxmi Kant. (2) Nand Kumar. (3) Hari Har Rao.	Incompetence (Secy.'s 483, dated 4th April 1889).	2nd April 1889.	...	10,493 9 8	3	...	19	3,789	4,024	371	2,882 3 0	1,358 0 0
	a. Baghora ...	Jairam Patel	Incompetence (*C. P. Gazette* Notification No. 6347-338, dated 29th October 1889).	8th Novr. 1889.	...	2,167 1 11	1	1	72	2,903	1,502	576	1,792 7 5	1,070 8 0
	Ubaria and other two villages.	(1) Afzal-Hasan. (2) Fazal-Hasan. (3) Tajumal Hasan. (4) Afza Hasan.	Incompetence (*C. P. Gazette* Notification No. 7990, dated 19th November 1891).	...	...	1,221 10 5	3	...	52	1,329	1,126	358	587 15 0	338 2 10
	Chandu ...	Raja Patel ..	Indebtedness (*C. P. Notification* No. 4456, dated 22nd July 1891).	1st Novr 1892.	35 years ..		Management assumed during the year.							
					Total ...	37,354 0 5	26	2	1,106	33,021	16,929	3,932	13,084 11 11	6,231 10 10

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			In Government Securities or Railway shares.	In other loans.	Rent arrears.	Other debts.	Government or Court of Wards loans.	Other loans.	TOTAL.
16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25
Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.
.....	...	563 14 2	...	...	1,524 2 8	13,740 12 9	...	74,889 0 3	74,889 0 3
2,500 0 0	...	353 12 5	...	...	3,599 1 7	35,829 1 8	...	1,23,014 11 0	1,23,014 11 0
2,000 0 0	2,000 0 0	660 4 10	...	...	1,614 15 10	...	...	10,866 9 3	10,866 9 3
10,000 0 0	10,000 0 0	4,396 8 9	...	...	1,256 14 4	1,655 13 9	...	31,049 4 0	31,049 4 0
39,500 0 0	22,000 0 0	43,348 2 6	95,300 0 0	1,913 14 8	(16) 22,070 2 6	3,85,847 15 2	...	3,42,709 1 0	3,42,709 1 0
68,765 0 0	12,500 0 0	11,072 11 6	...	...	251 0 3	2,097 10 0	...	...	...
1,500 0 0	...	926 1 0	...	...	749 10 0	...	...	10,130 7 3	10,130 7 3
70,265 0 0	12,500 0 0	11,998 12 6	...	...	1,000 10 3	2,097 10 0	...	10,130 7 3	10,130 7 3
638 0 0	...	473 1 0	1,435 13 2	28 5 6	138 1 4	9,190 2 9	...	...	...
2,380 0 0	140 0 0	(17) 8,631 10 1	2,112 6 7	3,873 1 0	35 8 0	20,198 0 0	...	968 11 0	968 11 0
1,122 0 0	...	511 8 3	...	...	484 3 4	235 13 11	504 7 3	...	504 7 3
3,070 0 0	602 0 0	(18) 9,145 9 8	7,930 13 3	35 0 0	52 9 3	1,687 12 6	...	...	...
1,000 0 0	...	507 1 1	...	...	301 7 10	...	...	...	...
300 0 0	...	(19) 226 6 10	...	...	145 12 2	40 14 3	3,792 1 0	...	3,792 1 0
350 0 0	...	566 14 8	...	...	...	981 13 3	...	4,979 2 5	4,979 2 5
9,170 0 0	742 0 0	10,962 3 7	11,479 1 0	3,936 6 6	1,187 9 11	32,334 8 8	4,296 8 3	5,947 13 5	10,244 5 3

(16).—Excluding Rs. 99-3-7 written off.

(17).—In Treasury ... Rs. 8,461 10 1
In Mohurir's hand ... 70 0 0
Rs. 8,631 10 1

(18).—In Treasury ... Rs. 9,145 5 8
In Mohurir's hand. ... 0 4 0
Rs. 9,145 9 8

(19).—In Treasury ... Rs. 220 2 1
In Mohurir's hand. ... 6 4 9
Rs. 226 6 10

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Name of District.	Name of Estate.	Name of Proprietor.	Grounds on which management assumed, quoting authority.	Date on which management assumed.	Age of minor (if proprietor a minor) on 30th September.	Total income of year under report from all sources.	ASSETS ON LANDED PROPERTY CONSISTING OF MAHALS, SHARES IN MAHALS, OR PLOTS IN MAHALS.							Government Revenue and cesses.
							Number of whole villages.	Number of shares in villages.	Number of plots.	Total area. Cultivated.	Total area. Uncultivated.	Area of sir land.	Annual rental.	
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15
						Rs. a. p				Acres.	Acres.	Acres.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.
CHITTOWARA.	*b* Pagara ...	Drijpal Shah	Minority (Act XL of 1858).	12th Feby. 1878.	20 years 6 months.	31,225 2 1	163	...	...	37,786	278,467	187	7,113 12 0	83 2 3
	b Dhoda Bor-gaon.	Mahadeo ...	Do. do.	1st Sept. 1882.	Do.	633 2 0	2	1	...	1,155	1,539	55	444 0 0	294 8 0
	b Chowkda Dhana.	Bora	Do. do.	8th May 1883.	7 years 6 months.	16 0 0	...	...	5	106	7	...	...	25 0 0
	a Dhuswani..	Gopal Shah..	Minority (Secy.'s 21 S, dated 14th April 1886).	1st June 1886.	...	406 12 7	5	...	...	...	...	25	545 4 0	313 7 0
	Chirowani...	Chickaji ...	Minority (Secy.'s 1294-S, dated 22nd Decr. 1887).	13th Jany. 1888.	...	499 8 0	...	1	...	...	...	102	179 8 0	106 8 0
					Total ...	32,780 8 8	170	2	5	39,047	280,013	369	8,282 8 0	812 9 3
			TOTAL NERBUDDA DIVISION ...			4,02,251 8 10	494	41	1,509	300,235	437,452	36,849	2,89,014 4 3	1,22,400 9 8
WARDHA.	*a* Moe ..	Dhanoba ...	Minority (Act XL of 1858).	14th March 1892.	21 years 6 months.	5,113 13 8	5	2	4	2,710	2,167	320	4,194 4 7	1,099 7 9
	a Hingni ..	Yado Rao Ganesh.	Minority (Secy.'s 316-S, dated 18th May 1886).	18th May 1886.	6 years 5 months.	5,080 7 0	3	4	4	(20)3,987	(20)1,080	(20)330	4,020 0 4	2,695 1 10
	a Chande-wani.	Bapu ...	Minority (Secy.'s 4116 S, dated 9th October 1890).	9th Oct. 1890.	...	1,319 8 3	1	...	...	1,540	160	48	1,310 0 3	881 8 4
					Total ...	12,113 12 11	9	6	8	8,237	3,407	758	10,424 5 2	5,576 1 11
NAGPUR.	*a* Khadgaon and Bhatu	Ranoji Naik	Minority (Secy.'s 278 S, dated 2nd March 1889).	25th March 1881.	21 years 6 months.	Management relinquished during the year.								
	a Chachur ..	Ahiloji Rao.	Indebtedness (Secy.'s 418-S, dated 27th April 1887).	5th April 1881.	...	23,916 9 1	7	...	2	12,387	1,788	782	14,803 2 7	4,020 0 0
	a Bhonsla ...	(1) Raja Raghoji Rao. (2) Laxman Rao.	Minority (Secy.'s 401-S, dated 22nd April 1887).	22nd April 1887.	(1) 20 years 6 months. (2) 16 years 1 month.	3,61,092 4 5	243	5	102	102,270	125,008	2,590	1,74,945 7 9	86,373 0 0
	a Sausthanik .	Raja Azam shah.	Minority (Secy.'s 401-S, dated 22nd April 1885).	6th May 1885.	9 years.	1,16,350 2 4	47	...	7	42,052	18,861	1,444	59,586 2 11	40,643 0 0
	a Bori ...	Doman Singh	Minority (Secy.'s 401-S, dated 22nd April 1887).	15th August 1888.	16 years.	3,235 12 7	9	...	4	2,979	1,827	333	3,195 9 10	1,560 0 0
	a Pandurang Rao Gujar.	Pandurang Rao Gujar.	Minority (Secy.'s 260 S, dated 22nd March 1887).	23rd March 1887.	...	7,566 6 0	3	...	3	2,857	766	311	4,543 13 0	2,809 0 0

* Excluding Rs. 5,739-7-5, *viz*:—
(1) Including Rs. 76 8-9 on account
(2) Excluding Rs. 5,836-0-2, being

† Excluding Rs. 29-3-7, *vide* foot-note (16) in the Hoshangabad District.
(20).—In previous years, the whole area belonging to the Estate was not entered in in Statement I, while the area covered by hills, jungles, roads, &c., was left the Settlement just completed, and represent the full area belonging to the khudkasht and muafi area included in 486 acres of the previous year's

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Estimated value of house property and land other than that included in columns 8 to 15.	Estimated value of personal property including jewels and cash.	Cash in land.	CAPITAL INVESTED.		SUMS DUE TO THE ESTATE OTHER THAN THOSE SHOWN IN COLUMNS 19 & 20.		LIABILITIES.		
			In Government Securities or Railway shares.	In other loans.	Rent arrears.	Other debts.	Government or Court of Wards loans.	Other loans.	TOTAL.
16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25
Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.
19,000 0 0	5,000 0 0	39,907 6 2	32,184 12 5	3,649 3 0	1,789 14 0	366 14 9	...	...	...
80 0 0	250 0 0	487 1 0	...	...	35 14 0	184 6 0	...	...	...
400 0 0	475 0 0	20 5 0	209 9 5	...	...	10 0 0	...	...	...
50 0 0	500 0 0	...	...	...	230 3 5	...	366 14 9	...	366 14 9
180 0 0	1,128 0 0	3,079 11 2	...	...	...	259 3 0	...	...	...
19,710 0 0	7,353 0 0	43,494 7 4	32,394 5 10	3,649 3 0	2,085 15 11	820 7 9	366 14 9	...	366 14 9
2,60,728 0 0	61,220 10 7	*1,43,755 8 6	1,19,317 8 7	23,529 1 7	†20,072 4 8	4,80,900 5 11	18,456 7 0	5,51,986 15 0	5,70,443 6 0
2,745 8 9	2,506 4 3	3,874 1 6	2,000 0 0	1,275 2 0	1,098 10 6	...	...	...	...
1,733 8 0	100 0 0	648 0 0	...	...	687 10 3	...	...	1,264 4 0	1,264 4 0
5 0 0	68 0 0	1,083 11 2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
4,484 0 9	2,674 4 3	5,606 13 2	2,000 0 0	1,275 2 0	1,786 4 9	...	...	1,264 4 0	1,264 4 0
14,635 0 0	16,982 0 0	893 11 2	...	...	1,943 1 2	...	...	64,070 10 5	64,070 10 5
2,64,815 0 0	25,01,986 0 0	37,615 4 5	95,000 0 0	1,42,106 0 0	27,200 8 8	...	...	...	...
33,065 0 0	85,087 0 0	5,588 2 4	7,000 0 0	8,644 0 0	6,423 5 11	...	...	...	...
630 0 0	4,131 0 0	466 12 7	1,500 0 0	...	703 15 6	2,014 0 0	...	...	...
10,770 0 0	3,170 0 0	839 8 0	...	...	1,242 15 3	...	...	5,905 1 6	5,905 1 6

of amounts in the hands of Mobarrir.
value of grains commuted in cash.

these columns. The area of fields cultivated and of fields left fallow only was returned out of account. The figures for the current year have been taken from the records of Estate. The area entered this year in column 13 of Statement I is exclusive of the Statement.

STATEMENT I.—*Showing the general position of each Estate under Government management*

NOTE.—*a* Indicates that the Estate is under the
b " " is managed
c " " "

Name of District.	Name of Estate.	Name of Proprietor.	Grounds on which management assumed, quoting authority.	Date on which management assumed	Age of minor (if proprietor a minor) on 30th September.	Total income of year under report from all sources.	ASSETS ON LANDED PROPERTY CONSISTING OF MAHALS, SHARES IN MAHALS, OR PLOTS IN MAHALS.								
							Number of whole villages.	Number of shares in villages.	Number of plots.	Total area. Cultivated.	Total area. Uncultivated.	Area of sir land.	Annual rental.	Government Revenue and cesses
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15
						Rs. a. p.				Acres.	Acres.	Acres	Rs. a. p	Rs. a. p.
NAGPUR—(Concld.)	*a* Krishna Rao Gujar.	Krishna Rao Gujar.	Indebtedness (Secy.'s 800-S, dated 10th August 1887).	22nd. Augt. 1887.	...	14,316 5 11	50	1	11	14,355	21,714	1,212	14,385 7 1	2,450 0 0
	a Yadeo Rao Jamadar of Palsot.	Yadeo Rao Jamadar.	Incompetence (*C. P. Gazette* Notification No. 2314-251, dated 22nd April 1890.)	22nd May 1890.	...	4,815 0 5	3	...	8	2,498	3,460	128	3,728 6 4	575 0 0
	a Laxmi Bai Naikin.	Laxmi Bai Naikin.	Incompetence (*C. P. Gazette* Notification No. 1-1, dated 2nd January 1890)	2nd Jany. 1890.	...	11,605 3 1	17	1	..	...	...	...	8,134 14 4	3,111 0 0
					Total ...	5,42,897 11 10	379	7	132	269,298	173,419	6,807	2,83,327 15 10	1,47,546 0 0
CHANDA.	Haree Bhaoo.	Haree Bhaoo.	Insanity (Junior Secy.'s No. 296-S, dated 20th January 1891).	7th March 1891.	...	Management relinquished during the year.								...
BHANDARA.	*a* Darekasa ..	Ramlal Tukaram.	Indebtedness (Secy.'s 173-C, dated 24th January 1885).	29th Jany. 1885.	...	3,807 10 6	8	1	...	812	16,377	277	723 0 0	353 8 0
	a Kamtha ..	Lataria Bhao.	Minority (Secy's. 17-S dated 8th January 1882).	22nd March 1882.	...	74,279 4 1	153	2	...	42,555	47,709	3,000	73,974 10 6	53,457 14 10
	a Salekasa ...	(1) Jot Singh. (2) Jaising.	Minority (Secy.'s 810 —S, dated 1st October 1886).	August 1885.	(1) 16 years. (2) 7 years.	1,285 8 9	8	...	...	642	15,670	50	465 8 0	238 8 0
	a Palkhera ...	Sona Bapu ..	Indebtedness (Secy.'s 614-S, dated 5th September 1885).	9th June 1886.	..	4,207 0 0	21	...	...	9,090	16,427	391	3,849 4 0	2,981 0 0
	a Raka ...	Amirulla and Sharifulla..	Minority (Secy's. 582, dated the 26th April 1889.)	12th Octr. 1889.	...	1,126 11 0	1	..	...	716	907	206	700 3 0	386 12 0
					Total ...	84,706 2 4	191	3	...	53,821	97,090	3,924	79,712 9 6	57,467 10 10
BALAGHAT.	*a* Nansari ...	Deo Rao Krishna.	Minority (Secy.'s 636-S, dated 5th October 1886.)	5th Octr. 1886.	21 years.	2,300 1 6	...	9	...	3,227	1,266	407	1,877 13 9	*(21)* 1,104 11 3
	a Bargaon...	(1) Kesheo Dhundiraj. (2) Ganpati Dhundiraj.	Minority (Secy.'s 916-S, dated 11th November 1887.	12th Novr. 1887.	(1) 15 years. (2) 13 years.	1,986 13 6	1	2	...	1,248	516	198	1,024 2 0	828 0 7
	a Khursori...	(1) Jaga. (2) Pakir. (3) Byja.	Incompetence (*C. P. Gazette* Notification No. 2544, dated 23rd April 1889.	23rd April 1889.	...	1,299 7 0	1	...	...	1,075	140	344	706 7 6	723 1 11

(21)—*Vide* remarks given in Statement III.

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under the Minors or Lunatics Act.
by virtue of an agreement with the Proprietor.

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Estimated value of house property and land other than that included in columns 8 to 15.	Estimated value of personal property including jewels and cash.	Cash in hand.	CAPITAL INVESTED.		SUMS DUE TO THE ESTATE OTHER THAN THOSE SHOWN IN COLUMNS 19 & 20.		LIABILITIES.		
			In Government Securities or Railway shares.	In other loans.	Rent arrears.	Other debts.	Government or Court of Wards loans.	Other loans.	TOTAL.
16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25
Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p	Rs. a. p	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p	Rs. a. p	Rs. a. p	Rs. a. p.
11,268 0 0	9,562 0 0	1,168 10 10	...	...	3,108 0 2	...	24,609 6 9	...	24,609 6 9
9,125 0 0	6,148 0 0	258 5 2	...	...	927 3 8	...	30,590 13 0	...	30,590 13 0
1,665 0 0	25,136 0 0	2,871 3 1	35,000 0 0	...	2,307 12 1	...	...	...	...
3,45,973 0 0	26,52,202 0 0	49,701 9 6	1,38,500 0 0	1,50,750 0 0	43,856 9 5	2,014 0 0	55,200 3 9	69,975 11 11	1,25,175 15 8
100 0 0	200 0 0	3 036 2 2	...	...	12 0 0	...	...	...	...
15,000 0 0	2,000 0 0	45,817 10 4	10,000 0 0	5,051 0 0	9,387 13 9	196 0 0	...	...	...
150 0 0	200 0 0	917 4 4	1,000 0 0		...	...	...	...	...
300 0 0	500 0 0	117 6 9	...	...	129 14 0	..	...	5,832 4 7	5,832 4 7
100 0 0	300 0 0	62 0 4	...	...	5 8 0	...	...	3,337 9 6	3,337 9 6
15,650 0 0	3,200 0 0	49,950 7 11	11,000 0 0	5,051 0 0	9,605 3 9	196 0 0	..	9,169 14 1	9,169 14 1
485 0 0	1,456 0 0	152 6 2	...	190 0 0	29 6 10	...	...	...	...
1,170 0 0	3,439 12 0	125 2 5	...	830 0 0	8 0 0	...	...	...	...
3,005 0 0	1,705 0 0	57 6 6	...	...	30 6 6	...	3,259 10 9	...	3,259 10 9

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NOTE.—*a* Indicates that the Estate is under the
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Name of District.	Name of Estate.	Name of Proprietor.	Grounds on which management assumed, quoting authority.	Date on which management assumed.	Age of minor (if proprietor a minor) on 30th September.	Total income of year under report from all sources.	ASSETS ON							
							LANDED PROPERTY CONSISTING OF MAHALS, SHARES IN MAHALS, OR PLOTS IN MAHALS.							
							Number of whole villages.	Number of shares in villages.	Number of plots.	Total area. Cultivated.	Total area. Uncultivated.	Area of sir land.	Annual rental.	Government Revenue and cesses.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15
						Rs. a. p.				Acres.	Acres.	Acres.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.
BALASOR—*Contd.*	*a* Linga ...	(1) Rama. (2) Yeshwant Rao. (3) Narain Rao	Minority (Secy.'s No. 143-S, dated 6th February 1889).	6th Feb 1889.	18 years.	5,205 3 6	2	3	...	1,890	2,143	511	2,408 12 8	1,472 10 8
	a Kinhi I...	Sarup Singh.	Minority (Secy.'s 326-S, dated 28th March 1888).	28th March 1888.	18 years.	7,721 2 7	(22) 18	(22) 5	1	1,903	(22) 15,519	163	1,240 5 4	923 13 6
	a Kinhi (II)	Sitru Mokasi.	Incompetence (*C. P Gazette* Notification No. 1891, dated 27th March 1889).	18th May 1889.	...	3,338 2 2	(23) 20	2	...	(23) 1,131	(23) 5,568	(23) 1,076	1,311 6 9	1,182 9 7
					Total ...	21,850 14 3	37	21	1	10,474	25,152	2,700	8,028 15 7	6,234 15 6
				TOTAL NAGPUR DIVISION ...		6,61,508 9 4	616	37	141	341,930	299,068	14,189	382,093 14 1	2,16,624 12 3
BANPUR	*b* Khuji ...	Naizuddin ...	Minority (Secy.'s C-100, dated 19th January 1878).	11th May 1878.	23 years.	Management relinquished during the year.								
	b Mohrenga	Luchman Pershad and Savija Pershad.	Minority and indebtedness (Secy.'s 553-S, dated 7th August 1885).	21st Aug 1885.	...	2,240 14 3	2	...	...	2,271	2,269 (24)	869	797 11 0	533 6 0
	b Bindra Nawagarh	Kawal Sai ...	Minority (Secy.'s 3159-165, dated 24th Augt. 1881).	17th Aug 1881.	26 years 6 months.	65,287 1 2	436	...	...	...	...	...	14,300 5 6	13,815 12 0
	a Bathena	(1) Puran Singh. (2) Shyan Singh.	Minority and indebtedness (Secy's 823-S, dated 7th November 1885).	13th Nov 1885.	(1) 26 years (2) 24 do.	1,297 7 0	3	...	...	2,800	759	199	1,285 13 0	437 13 0
	b Bahera...	Narottam Singh.	Minority (Secy.'s 514-S, dated 19th July 1886).	27th Dec 1885.	23 years.	1,426 6 9	1	2	...	3,722	685	353	1,845 0 0	888 3 0
	a Parsada.	Buldeo Joshi	Indebtedness (Secy.'s 43-S, dated 22rd February 1886).	23rd Mar 1886.	...	666 13 3	1	...	...	929	632	192	655 8 6	431 4 0
	a Putun ...	(1) Ganpat Rao. (2) Sadasheo Rao. (3) Gopal Rao.	Minority and Indebtedness (Secy.'s 33-S, dated 18th January 1887).	24th Mar 1887.	(1) 23 years. (2) 21 do. (3) 17 do.	2,145 5 0	3	4	...	2,667	880	197	2,366 14 2	(26) 1,350 0 0
	a Gandai...	Mussts. Laxmi Bai.	Incompetence (2719-127, dated 30th April 1889).	13th May 1889.	...	32,358 2 0	87	...	...	30,781	Unknown	4,001	15,023 8 0	8,707 0 0
	a Kowdia.	Ranjit Singh	Minority and indebtedness (Secy's, 3974. dated 26th Septr. 1890).	25th July 1890.	...	25,268 7 1	160	...	...	Not yet (26)	surveyed.		6,798 0 9	3,167 0 0
	Wararbandh.	(1) Padum Singh. (2) Kalandar Singh.	Minority (Junior Secy.'s No. 3455-S, dated 21st Aug 1891).	25th Mar. 1891.	(1) 10 years (2) 8 do.	3,696 3 3	8	...	...			Not known.	3,462 0 6	282 12 0

(22).—The figures in columns 2, 3 and 6 have been altered owing to the
(23).—Owing to the sale of 3 villages, the number of villages in column
(24).—Total area 9,28,000 acres, details not available.
(25).—Shows Government demand payable by this Estate annually shown in the respective statements. The amount
(26).—Total area 7,233, details not available

in the Central Provinces, during the year ending the 30th September 1893.—(Contd.)

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by virtue of an agreement with the Proprietor.

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Estimated value of house property and land other than that included in columns 8 to 15.	Estimated value of personal property including jewels and cash.	Cash in hand.	CAPITAL INVESTED.		SUMS DUE TO THE ESTATE OTHER THAN THOSE SHOWN IN COLUMNS 19 AND 20.		LIABILITIES.		
			In Government Securities or Railway shares.	In other loans.	Rent arrears.	Other debts.	Government or Court of Wards loans.	Other loans.	TOTAL.
16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25
Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.
11,500 0 0	4,500 15 0	238 15 8	...	1,225 0 0	140 11 5	...	...	...	...
105 0 0	437 0 0	206 8 8	...	...	40 6 0	...	...	...	...
1,105 0 0	2,725 0 0	271 10 10	...	...	170 3 3	...	...	3,209 8 6	3,209 8 6
17,370 0 0	14,472 11 0	1,052 1 5	..	2,245 0 0	419 2 0	...	3,259 10 9	3,209 8 6	6,469 3 3
3,83,477 0 9	26,72,348 15 8	1,06,310 0 0	1,51,500 0 0	1,59,321 2 0	55,667 3 11	2,210 0 0	58,459 14 6	83,619 0 6	1,42,079 5 0
3,950 0 0	420 0 0	120 9 6	...	...	0 12 6	...	8,799 1 1	...	8,799 1 1
2,880 8 0	...	24,492 4 1	1,07,000 0 0	37,931 9 2	...	...	...	...	...
...	...	14 4 4	...	...	19 4 0	...	5,850 0 8	...	5,850 0 8
160 0 0	100 0 0	479 4 10	...	...	513 8 8	...	...	...	...
...	...	4 8 0	...	...	25 4 0	...	1,150 4 8	...	1,150 4 8
800 0 0	...	269 13 9	...	...	55 8 2	...	4,598 6 4	...	4,598 6 4
26,250 0 0	15,266 10 0	9,003 9 11	...	...	...	...	...	15,493 5 3	15,493 5 3
150 0 0	5,150 0 0	13,215 15 11	...	...	...	...	...	25,473 0 0	25,473 0 0
630 0 0	630 0 0	4,673 6 5	...	...	24 0 0	...	...	46,414 6 0	46,414 6 0

sale of one whole village and shares in 3 villages.
8 and the areas in columns 11, 12 and 13 have decreased.

whereas in column 3 of Statement III, actual payments made during the year in the District Treasury have been shewn. Hence the difference between the figures that was directly given at Bilaspur has been excluded.

STATEMENT I.—*Showing the general position of each Estate under Government management*

NOTE.—*a* Indicates that the Estate is under the
b ,, ,, is managed
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Name of District.	Name of Estate.	Name of Proprietor.	Grounds on which management assumed, quoting authority.	Date on which management assumed.	Age of minor (if proprietor a minor) on 30th September.	Total income of year under report from all sources.	ASSETS ON — LANDED PROPERTY CONSISTING OF MAHALS, SHARES IN MAHALS, OR PLOTS IN MAHALS. — Number of whole villages.	Number of shares in villages.	Number of plots.	Total area. Cultivated.	Total area. Uncultivated.	Area of sir land.	Annual Rental.	Government Revenue and cesses.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15
						Rs. a. p.				Acres.	Acres.	Acres.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.
BASTAR—(*Contd.*)	Darchura. ...	Musst. Laxmi Bai.	Incompetence and Indebtedness, *C. P. Gazette* Notification No. 5991-611, dated 23rd Septr 1890.	16th Oct. 1890.	45 years.	2,169 15 0	3	...	...	5,414	911	546	1,961 11 6	987 8 0
	Tarpongi.	Raghunath Rao.	Incompetence, *C. P. Gazette* Notification No. 959, dated 24th March 1892	15th April 1892.	35 years.	2,070 5 0	2	...	...	2,749	2,809	154	2,040 13 9	1,233 2 0
	Teela ...	(1) Sarju Parsad. (2) Ramlal. (3) Kedarnath. (4) Seetaram (5) Radhashiam. (6) Sheohari.	Minority (Junior Secy.'s 3396 S, dated 26th Aug 1891).	16th Sept. 1891.	(1) 19 (2) 17 (3) 15 (4) 13 (5) 10 (6) 7 years.	1,634 5 6	1	...	...	1,572	755	115	1,579 6 9	914 6 0
					Total ...	1,60,261 5 8	707	6	...	52,405	9,700	6,126	52,136 8 5	(27) 32,808 2 0
BILASPUR.	*a* Bilaigarh cum Katangi.	Sheo Singh...	Indebtedness (Secy.'s 4062-187, dated 22nd Oct. 1879).	7th Oct. 1879.	...	14,979 13 4	116	...	...	34,180	20,246	3,917	9,545 14 0	6,652 4 0
	a Kanteli	Sahiblal ...	Indebtedness (Secy.'s 2985 dated 8th Aug 1882).	11th Aug. 1882.	...	9,625 6 7	45	...	2	14,097	2,704	3,745	9,219 12 3	3,772 2 1
	b Pondra	Indrapal Singh ..	Minority (Secy.'s 9-S. dated 20th Jany 1882).	20th Jany. 1882.	15 years 6 months	22,257 2 1	211	...	...	34,944	77,215	6,260	9,045 9 3	6,747 0 0
	a Pandaria	(1) Raghuraj Singh. (2) Tadunath Singh.	Minority (Secy.'s 813-S, dated 16th Aug. 1887).	29th July 1887.	(1) 16 years (2) 7 do.	89,873 0 9	306	...	...	139,493	44,535	37,996	63,472 13 9	38,486 0 0
					Total ...	1,36,735 6 9	677	...	2	222,714	144,700	51,918	91,284 1 3	55,657 6 1
SAMBALPUR.	*a* Ghess ...	Ujal Singh Barika.	Indebtedness (Secy.'s 2871-5, dated 28th January 1883).	23rd Jany. 1883.	...	2,724 3 9	26	...	...	...	...	...	2,597 10 9	1,286 2 8
	a Bora Sambar ..	Purendra Singh.	Minority (Secy.'s, 867-S, dated 26th Novr 1885).	24th Novr. 1885.	15 years	40,219 4 5	451	...	...	...	...	...	15,484 11 9	7,341 9 0
	a Phuljhar	Musst. Kapilas Kumari.	Indebtedness (Secy.'s 868-S, dated 26th Novr. 1886).	24th Novr. 1885.	...	41,651 7 7	522	...	...	...	...	...	16,536 14 4	10,198 7 0
	a Rengali.	Jairam Babu.	Indebtedness (Secy.'s 648-S, dated 5th Septr. 1885).	5th Jany 1886.	...	304 0 0	1	...	...	1,200	2,087	52	304 0 0	...
	a Karandola.	Baijnath Bhoi.	Indebtedness (Secy.'s, 311, dated 23rd June 1886).	10th July 1886.	...	524 1 5	3	...	..	1,704	1,001	293	587 13 0	287 11 0
					Total ..	85,423 1 2	1,019	...	...	2,904	3,088	345	35,511 1 10	19,093 13 3
					TOTAL CHHATTISGARH DIVISION.	382,419 13 2	2,291	6	2	278,023	157,488	58,389	1,78,031 11 6	(34) 1,07,559 5 4
					GRAND TOTAL ..	17,00,083 15 3	3,921	163	1,784	1,009,370	1,105,581	118,041	10,10,610 6 4	5,18,564 7 10

(27).—Has a difference of Rs. 371-5-0, with the column 2 of Statement III (*vide* remarks given in foot-note (25) against the Estate Patum (Statement I.)

(28).—Includes 4 025 8 9 on account of interest, *viz.*—

Rs.	a.	p.	
15,849	15	8	principal
4,025	8	9	interest.
Total ... 19,875	8	5	

(29).—Includes 1,360 14 3 on account of Interest, *viz.*—

Rs	a	p.	
11,069	10	5	principal.
1,360	14	3	interest.
Total ... 12,430	8	8	

Court of Wards.
under the Minors or Lunatics Act.
by virtue of an agreement with the Proprietor.

30TH SEPTEMBER.

Estimated value of house Property and of other Items not included in columns 8 to 15.	Estimated value of personal property including jewels and cash.	Cash in hand.	CAPITAL INVESTED.		SUMS DUE TO THE ESTATE OTHER THAN THOSE SHOWN IN COLUMNS 19 & 20.		LIABILITIES.		
			In Government Securities or Railway shares.	In other loans.	Rent arrears.	Other debts.	Government or Court of Wards loans.	Other loans.	TOTAL.
16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25
Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.
800 0 0	2,200 0 0	272 2 1	...	...	16 12 6	...	4,177 14 5	...	4,177 14 5
950 0 0	467 11 0	199 3 11	...	...	0 8 9	...	4,450 9 6	...	4,450 9 6
...	850 0 0	30 14 6	...	...	127 7 6	...	...	9,375 0 9	9,375 0 9
30,120 8 0	25,084 5 0	52,776 1 3	1,07,000 0 0	37,961 9 2	783 1 8	...	29,026 10 8	96,755 12 0	1,25,782 6 8
700 0 0	1,500 0 0	3,278 2 10	...	...	180 0 0	...	(28) 19,875 8 5	...	(28) 19,875 8 5
1,000 0 0	1,000 0 0	4,400 2 4	...	...	165 7 0	...	(29) 12,430 8 8	...	(29) 12,430 8 8
2,000 0 0	2,000 0 0	(30) 56,326 0 11	...	...	41 7 3	...	...	...	...
16,286 0 0	3,231 0 0	(31) 92,764 14 9	...	(32) 19,875 8 5	...	...	...	...	...
20,986 0 0	7,731 0 0	1,56,769 4 10	..	19,875 8 5	386 14 3	...	32,306 1 1	...	(33) 32,306 1 1
1,000 0 0	1,000 0 0	257 11 5	...	...	32 8 0	...	...	8,387 5 3	8,387 5 3
1,000 0 0	5,000 0 0	29,044 8 11	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
427 0 0	...	39,851 12 5	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
150 0 0	100 0 0	26 11 8	...	...	...	...	...	165 3 8	165 3 8
...	...	10 11 2	...	...	100 11 2	...	...	1,693 8 11	1,693 8 11
2,577 0 0	6,100 0 0	69,191 7 7	...	...	133 3 2	...	...	10,246 1 10	10,246 1 10
65,683 8 0	38,915 5 0	2,78,736 13 8	1,07,000 0 0	57,837 1 7	1,303 3 1	...	61,332 11 9	1,07,001 13 10	(35) 1,68,334 9 7
8,44,785 8 0	29,45,976 2 8	0,75,167 3 2	5,28,917 8 7	2,53,701 7 2	1,08,236 1 1	7,50,758 14 1	1,61,378 11 5	9,20,372 12 2	10,81,751 7 7

(30).—Excluding difference of Rs. 58-14-0 as explained in foot note "O" in Statement I V:—

	Rs.	a.	p.
Deduct difference of outstanding cheque at the close of the preceding year	95	13	0
And outstanding cheque at the close of the year under report... ...	86	15	0
Total	58	14	0

(31).—Excluding difference of Rs. 97-5-0 as explained in foot-note (2) in Statement IV :—

Deduct difference of outstanding cheque at the close of the preceding year	126	4	0
at the close of the year under report	28	15	0
Total ...	97	5	0

(32).—Due by Bilaigarh Estate.
(33).—Include Rs. 5,386-7-0 on account of interest.
(34).—Has a difference of Rs. 371-5-0 as explained in foot-note to the total of the Raipur District.
(35).—Including Rs. 5,386-7-0 as explained in the Bilaspur District.

STATEMENT II.—*Showing receipts in each Estate under Government*

Name of District.	Name of Estate.	Balance uninvested at commencement of period under report.	Receipts during period: Rents.	Sir land.	Forests.	Other Sair and manorial dues, including Pandbri, Mehrai, &c.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
		Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.
SAUGOR.	Dhana	24,069 6 3	34,133 12 5	49 4 10	121 3 4	234 4 0
	Tajpur	82 8 7	1,076 15 8	...	...	19 12 0
	Etawa	2,427 15 10	11,844 2 10	...	...	42 0 0
	Barha	1,996 9 10	2,027 9 6	...	...	10 9 0
	Mohara	237 13 7	687 14 0	...	...	0 9 0
	Total ...	28,814 6 1	49,770 6 5	49 4 10	121 3 4	307 2 0
DAMOH.	Singrampur	193 9 0	992 6 10	...	...	168 0 0
	Khari Deori	508 11 8	2,108 3 4	...	...	...
	Hindoria	953 11 10	2,371 2 10	...	809 14 2	94 0 0
	Nibai	341 11 7	785 6 8	—	...	9 13 0
	Tejgarh	(a)3,924 14 3	2,882 7 7	...	94 10 11	3 0 0
	Gobra	97 3 5	2,051 3 11	...	62 0 0	7 0 0
	Konda Kalan	150 13 9	1,163 11 10	...	...	9 12 0
	Hatri	779 6 1	10,622 8 0	...	102 14 0	33 12 9
	Total ..	6,950 1 7	22,977 3 0	...	1,069 7 1	325 5 9
JUBBULPORE.	Budhagarh	1,517 14 10	26,333 8 3	200 0 0	1,571 1 6	...
	Bujarangarh	339 14 2	5,610 11 8	...	...	...
	Khitola	25,971 12 2	11,589 14 7	358 0 0	114 13 3	25 10 0
	Pounda	1,708 0 11	13,726 15 5	1,161 2 9	2,038 12 0	219 8 0
	Pounsra	1,986 3 3	573 6 9	54 0 0	83 0 0	...
	Bhatgowan	379 14 10	1,832 2 6	...	39 8 0	...
	Bandha	1,114 14 9	6,759 10 9	391 0 0	53 0 0	32 4 0
	Ganyari	15,058 13 7	5,392 6 10	1,202 8 0	33 14 6	...
	Bijora	2,337 8 7	885 5 9	156 14 0	...	14 1 9
	Bijori	(b) 18,554 7 6	4,965 13 1	967 0 0	214 0 0	52 11 2
	Nimi Bhidari	58 6 7	808 13 9	...	..	...
	Mudia	1,282 7 1	4,891 7 1	1,181 15 6	269 7 0	22 0 0
	Mohania	1,157 7 0	6,895 13 6	318 0 0	...	395 0 0
	Total ...	71,467 13 3	90,266 1 11	5,990 8 3	4,417 8 3	761 2 11
MANDLA.	Singharpur	6,070 2 11	1,999 12 4	...	193 0 0	...
	Ghagha	812 7 6	866 1 6	...	323 13 0	...
	Total ...	6,882 10 5	2,865 13 10	...	516 13 0	...

(a) The figures in column 19 of the printed Statement III for 1891-92 was wrong. The
In accordance with Revenue Secretary's No. 2526, dated the 29th May 1893, a sum of Rs. 1,989-8-4 was transferred
column 13. This vitiates column 16 of Statement II
(b) Last year 2 pies

UNDER REPORT FROM —								
Interest on Government Securities or Railway shares.	Interest on other loans.	Miscellaneous.	Advances recoverable.	Total.	Debts recovered (principal).	Loans received.	Total.	GRAND TOTAL.
8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16
Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs.	Rs. a. p	Rs. a. p.
3,994 14 7	372 3 8	2,526 14 7	156 10 0	41,589 3 5	5,109 13 5	...	5,109 13 5	70,768 7 1
...	5 1 3	66 10 8	...	1,168 7 7	138 8 1	...	138 8 1	1,389 8 3
...	95 4 0	159 2 7	...	12,140 9 5	106 5 3	...	106 5 3	14,674 14 6
...	...	2 7 7	...	2,040 10 1	...	...	...	4,037 3 11
194 12 9	3 9 2	662 3 5	...	1,549 0 4	224 11 11	...	224 11 11	2,011 9 10
4,189 11 4	476 2 1	3,417 6 10	156 10 0	58,487 14 10	5,579 6 8	...	5,579 6 8	92,881 11 7
...	...	27 8 0	5 0 0	1,192 14 10	24 0 0	...	24 0 0	1,410 7 10
...	0 14 0	36 13 1	...	2,145 14 5	20 6 0	...	20 6 0	2,675 0 1
19 8 6	7 1 0	306 15 8	121 14 0	3,730 8 2	255 11 0	...	255 11 0	4,959 15 0
19 11 10	30 5 0	116 3 1	46 7 3	1,007 14 10	171 1 0	...	171 1 0	1,520 11 5
19 8 6	34 5 11	585 6 0	950 12 9	4,570 3 8	1,293 15 0	...	1,293 15 0	9,789 0 11
...	...	95 7 2	25 0 0	2,240 11 1	11 0 0	...	11 0 0	2,348 14 6
...	...	36 15 0	...	1,210 6 10	...	...	...	1,361 4 7
...	25 13 6	777 9 7	135 0 0	11,697 9 10	43 2 6	...	43 2 6	12,520 2 5
58 12 10	98 7 5	1,982 13 7	1,284 2 0	27,796 3 8	1,819 3 6	...	1,819 3 6	36,565 8 9
...	30 11 0	1,838 8 7	...	29,973 13 4	819 15 3	...	819 15 3	32,311 11 5
...	10 10 1	19 2 0	...	5,640 7 9	43 0 0	...	43 0 0	6,023 5 11
234 6 6	187 12 0	2,851 15 7	...	15,362 7 11	3,365 4 0	...	3,365 4 0	44,099 8 1
...	97 5 3	1,603 2 5	...	18,846 13 10	255 8 6	...	255 8 6	20,810 7 3
39 14 4	...	112 6 6	...	862 11 7	...	...	...	2,848 14 10
...	0 4 6	407 15 0	...	2,279 14 0	15 0 0	...	15 0 0	2,674 12 10
...	41 10 0	606 8 2	...	7,884 0 11	394 14 0	...	394 14 0	9,393 13 8
...	...	1,032 7 3	...	7,661 4 7	92 0 0	...	92 0 0	22,812 2 2
...	...	67 14 7	...	1,124 4 1	...	...	...	3,461 12 8
...	...	1,012 13 9	...	7,212 6 0	270 0 0	...	270 0 0	26,036 13 6
...	...	.....	...	808 13 9	...	...	...	867 4 4
...	2 1 2	27 13 2	...	6,394 11 11	32 0 0	...	32 0 0	7,709 3 0
...	1,093 5 0	33,657 6 9	...	42,259 9 3	5,934 1 9	...	5,934 1 9	49,451 2 0
274 4 10	1,463 11 0	43,238 1 0	...	1,46,411 6 11	11,221 11 6	...	11,221 11 6	2,20,100 15 8
79 12 10	...	9 0 0	...	2,281 9 2	...	...	...	8,351 12 1
...	...	...	...	1,189 14 6	...	...	...	2,002 6 0
79 12 10	...	9 0 0	...	3,471 7 8	...	...	...	10,354 2 1

correct balance on 30th September 1892 was Rs. 3,924-14-3.
from "debts recovered" to "rent collections." This amount was added to column 4 of the printed Statement II, but not deducted from
and column 19 of Statement III for the last year.
were shown in excess.

STATEMENT II.—*Showing receipts in each Estate under Government management*

Name of District.	Name of Estate.	Balance uninvested at commencement of period under report.	Receipts during period			
			Rents.	Sir land.	Forests.	Other Sair and miscellaneous dues, including Pandhri, Mehlrai, &c.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
		Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.
SEONI	Lalbuadon ...	692 10 1	4,100 0 0	...	9 10 0	...
	Maina Piparia ...	889 10 7	1,844 14 6	...	...	...
	Kaniwara ...	4,823 12 0	5,582 6 9	1,512 0 0	102 15 0	...
	Jhamar ...	329 2 11	(*a*) 434 12 6	32 0 0	...	...
	Sejwara ...	483 13 10	2,147 1 10	753 8 0	19 1 0	...
	Narola ...	178 6 9	2,703 2 0	...	0 14 0	...
	Total ..	7,397 8 2	16,762 4 7	2,297 8 0	132 8 0	...
	Total Jubbulpore Division ...	1,21,512 7 6	1,82,641 13 9	8,337 5 1	6,257 7 8	1,393 10 8
NARSINGHPUR.	Imjhira ..	12,072 10 11	16,376 12 8	...	61 12 6	132 15 8
	Narsinghpur ..	855 3 2	26,307 5 6	...	78 15 5	1,015 8 7
	Ithahrora ..	69 6 10	1,329 0 6	80 12 0	...	...
	Deonagar ...	115 9 3	2,910 0 3	...	...	1 12 0
	Chawarpatha .	5,625 9 9	15,409 12 11	209 8 0	...	9 4 0
	Amehta ..	47 9 6	921 9 0	...	...	...
	Bilthari .	106 3 11	639 7 6	97 0 1	...	29 9 6
	Kowria ..	26 7 4	1,064 4 8	144 10 8	...	1 13 0
	Sanikhera ..	332 9 1	2,827 5 5	486 13 0	...	41 0 0
	Ramkhiria ...	2,513 10 5	1,201 5 9	655 0 0	...	...
	Baroda ..	1,585 1 8	276 8 0	279 0 0	...	...
	Chirchitta ..	20 13 5	583 11 3	...	...	...
	Umaria ..	276 1 4	9,628 3 4	821 2 0	152 3 6	...
	Bakori ..	15 12 4	439 4 3	...	...	...
	Singhpur ...	320 10 4	7,311 9 11	2,203 8 0	133 12 10	317 6 0
	Bambori .	143 8 9	4,042 9 4	...	...	3 8 0
	Surra ...	54 1 10	635 3 0	124 14 0	...	...
	Bhugwara ..	359 2 3	1,514 4 10	347 0 0	...	...
	Hathnapur ..	100 4 7	1,022 14 4	71 12 0	490 9 8	95 10 6
	Bagaspur .	36 8 11	1,459 6 0	241 0 0	...	...
	Amgaon ..	1 12 1	3,851 8 3	644 12 0	...	...
	Total ..	24,678 13 8	1,00,552 2 8	6,406 11 9	917 5 11	1,648 7 3

(*a*) Excluding Rs. 32 on account of "sir" shown

in the Central Provinces, during the year ending the 30th September 1893.—(Contd.)

UNDER REPORT FROM—								
Interest on Government Securities or Railway shares.	Interest on other loans.	Miscellaneous.	Advances recoverable	Total.	Debts recovered (principal).	Loans received.	Total.	GRAND TOTAL.
8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16
Rs a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs a. p	Rs.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs.	Rs. a. p	Rs a p.
...	..	183 12 0	...	4,293 6 0	...	...	...	4,986 0 1
..	...	...	30 0 0	1,874 14 6	200 0 0	4,800	5,000 0 0	7,764 9 1
...	...	153 8 3	10 0 0	7,310 14 0	...	...	...	12,134 10 0
...	..	93 2 0	...	559 13 6	...	...	...	889 0 5
...	...	41 10 6	46 0 0	3,007 5 4	..	...	...	3,491 3 2
...	.	53 5 6	150 0 0	2,907 5 6	45 10 8	...	45 10 8	3,131 6 11
...	..	525 6 3	236 0 0	19,953 10 10	245 10 8	4,800	5,045 10 8	32,396 13 8
4,602 9 10	2,038 4 6	49,172 12 5	1,676 12 0	2,56,120 11 11	18,866 0 4	4,800	23,666 0 4	4,01,209 3 9
388 9 4	1,054 3 9	1,388 11 11	...	19,403 1 10	2,041 14 7	...	2,041 14 7	33,517 11 4
...	218 11 0	1,266 2 8	100 0 0	28986 11 2	1,563 8 8	...	1,563 8 8	31,405 7 0
...	8 0 0	14 10 0	...	1,432 6 6	...	...	...	1,501 18 4
...	11 12 3	33 0 0	...	2,956 8 6	..	...	...	3,072 1 9
...	188 10 1	529 3 2	...	16,346 6 2	1,362 10 0	...	1,362 10 0	23,334 9 11
...	...	6 10 0	...	928 3 0	...	...	...	975 12 6
...	17 14 0	68 8 10	...	852 7 11	11 6 4	...	11 6 4	970 2 2
...	11 8 4	77 12 7	...	1,300 1 3	213 4 0	...	213 4 0	1,539 12 7
...	5 8 9	90 6 9	...	3,451 1 11	88 14 8	...	88 14 8	3,872 9 8
...	...	1 15 3	...	1,858 5 0	...	...	...	4,371 15 5
...	84 11 9	...	...	640 3 9	800 0 0	...	800 0 0	3,025 5 5
...	0 15 0	13 2 3	...	597 12 6	9 0 0	...	9 0 0	627 9 11
...	3 12 3	48 7 3	...	10,653 12 4	57 10 0	...	57 10 0	10,987 7 8
...	1 2 0	...	...	440 6 3	...	...	...	456 2 7
...	2 5 9	526 9 3	...	10,395 3 9	53 0 0	...	53 0 0	10,768 14 1
...	22 10 8	10 10 3	...	4,979 6 3	229 11 6	...	229 11 6	5,352 10 6
...	0 6 0	...	...	760 7 0	...	4,000	4,000 0 0	4,814 8 10
..	130 0 0	17 2 8	.	2,008 7 6	...	..	...	2,367 9 9
...	...	16 14 9	...	1,697 13 3	...	...	...	1,798 1 10
...	4 1 0	...	...	1,704 7 0	145 0 0	...	145 0 0	1,885 15 11
...	0 4 8	150 0 0	...	4,646 8 11	...	...	...	4,648 5 0
388 9 4	1,766 9 3	4,259 15 7	100 0 0	1,16,039 13 9	6,575 15 9	4,000	10,575 15 9	1,51,294 11 2

In column 5, hence the difference of Rs. 32.

STATEMENT II.—*Showing receipts in each Estate under Government*

Name of District.	Name of Estate.	Balance uninvested at commencement of period under report.	Receipts during period			
			Rents.	Sir land.	Forests.	Other Sair and miscellaneous, including Pandhri, Mehrai, &c.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
		Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.
NAGPUR.	Chachar	1,282 0 0	15,374 9 1	457 0 0	32 0 0	97 0 0
	Bhonsla	38,036 0 0	1,75,372 4 5	13,713 0 0	7,612 0 0	3,487 0 0
	Sansthanik	3,678 0 0	58,160 2 4	2,914 0 0	1,337 0 0	758 0 0
	Bori	26 0 0	3,005 12 7	28 0 0	17 0 0	6 0 0
	Pandurang Rao Gujar ...	867 0 0	4,216 6 0	84 0 0	14 0 0	17 0 0
	Krishna Rao Gujar ...	1,552 0 0	13,558 5 11	71 0 0	401 0 0	172 0 0
	Yadeo Rao Jamdar ..	890 0 0	3,880 0 5	137 0 0	710 0 0	...
	Laxmi Bai Naikin ...	4,333 0 0	7,531 3 1	344 0 0	1,032 0 0	236 0 0
	Total ...	50,664 0 0	2,81,098 11 10	17,698 0 0	11,155 0 0	4,773 0 0
BHANDARA.	Darekasa	354 0 11	711 0 0	...	3,096 10 6	...
	Kumtha ...	54,360 9 3	69,430 6 0	1,461 8 0	2,115 1 6	32 4 9
	Salekasa	528 11 6	473 8 0	...	772 15 9	...
	Palkhera	367 10 1	3,764 8 0	56 0 0	348 0 0	...
	Raka	43 4 9	694 11 0	205 0 0	...	...
	Total ...	55,654 4 6	75,074 1 0	1,722 8 0	6,332 11 9	32 4 9
BALAGHAT.	Nansari	703 14 3	1,011 2 3	78 4 0	26 12 0	...
	Bargaon	1,399 15 7	1,016 2 0	910 11 6	60 0 0	...
	Khursori	109 4 10	748 6 6	513 14 6	37 2 0	...
	Linga	6,380 12 7	2,294 13 3	1,443 8 0	730 9 0	227 6 6
	Kinhi I	778 6 0	1,199 15 4	...	1,047 7 6	65 15 0
	„ II	571 11 5	1,203 12 6	...	1,902 6 6	162 0 0
	Total ..	9,844 0 8	8,374 3 10	2,946 6 0	3,804 5 0	455 5 6
	TOTAL NAGPUR DIVISION .	1,20,629 6 8	3,71,014 4 3	27,757 2 3	21,292 0 9	5,365 6 3

(g.)—See remarks against "Government
(h.)— Do. do.

UNDER REPORT FROM—					Debts recovered (principal).	Loans received.	Total.	GRAND TOTAL.
Interest on Government Securities or Railway shares.	Interest on other loans.	Miscellaneous.	Advances recoverable.	Total.				
8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16
Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.
...	77 0 0	7,879 0 0	282 0 0	24,198 9 1	...	...	...	25,480 9 1
5,777 0 0	17,104 0 0	1,38,027 0 0	38,093 0 0	3,99,185 4 5	92,220 0 0	...	92,220 0 0	5,29,441 4 5
280 0 0	832 0 0	52,069 0 0	2,875 0 0	1,19,225 2 4	1,024 0 9	...	1,024 0 0	1,23,027 2 4
69 0 0	3 0 0	107 0 0	589 0 0	3,824 12 7	...	...	...	3,850 12 7
...	6 0 0	3,279 0 0	207 0 0	7,773 6 0	...	...	...	8,040 6 0
...	28 0 0	86 0 0	408 0 0	14,724 5 11	...	...	...	16,276 5 11
...	3 0 0	85 0 0	168 0 0	4,983 0 5	...	1,942 12 0	1,942 12 0	7,815 12 5
1,345 0 0	...	1,117 0 0	2,052 0 0	13,057 3 1	...	...	...	17,990 3 1
7,471 0 0	18,053 0 0	2,02,640 0 0	44,674 0 0	5,87,571 11 10	93,244 0 0	1,942 12 0	95,186 1 12	7,33,422 7 10
...	...	...	...	3,807 10 6	...	...	...	4,161 11 5
388 9 4	...	851 6 6	825 0 0	75,104 4 1	...	...	...	1,29,464 13 4
39 1 0	...	...	...	1,285 8 9	...	...	...	1,814 4 8
...	...	38 8 0	...	4,207 0 0	...	...	...	4,574 10 1
...	...	227 0 0	...	1,126 11 0	...	...	...	1,169 15 9
427 10 4	...	1,116 14 6	825 0 0	85,531 2 4	...	...	...	1,41,185 6 10
...	6 0 0	(*g*) 277 15 3	...	2,300 1 6	57 11 11	...	57 11 11	3,061 11 8
...	...	...	...	1,986 13 6	54 9 3	...	54 9 3	3,341 6 4
...	...	...	...	1,209 7 0	..	...	...	1,408 11 10
...	99 3 9	409 11 0	...	5,205 3 6	1,215 3 3	...	1,215 3 3	12,801 3 4
...	..	5,407 12 9	...	7,721 2 7	...	...	...	8,499 8 7
...	...	(*h*) 69 15 2	...	3,338 2 2	...	...	...	3,909 13 7
...	105 3 9	6,165 6 2	...	21,850 14 3	1,327 8 5	...	1,327 8 5	33,022 7 4
7,978 7 2	18,162 7 0	2,09,998 13 8	45,544 0 0	7,07,112 9 4	94,885 5 11	1,942 12 0	96,828 1 11	9,24,570 1 11

revenue and cesses " of Statement III.
do. do.

STATEMENT II.—*Showing receipts in each Estate under Government management*

Name of District.	Name of Estate.	Balance uninvested at commencement of period under report.	Receipts during period			
			Rents.	Sir land.	Forests.	Other Sair and manorial dues, including Pandhri, Mehrai, &c.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
		Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.
RAIPUR.	Mohrenga	251 6 7	802 3 6	...	1,213 1 9	19 1 0
	Bindra-Nawagarh	46,784 6 1	14,313 5 6	115 0 0	38,437 10 8	10,485 5 3
	Bathena	57 9 3	1,290 7 0	...	...	7 0 0
	Bahera	623 9 4	1,368 2 3	...	19 0 0	14 0 0
	Parsada	32 4 0	630 4 6	...	28 8 9	8 0 0
	Patan	444 13 10	(*i*) 1,776 10 0	...	66 6 6	46 0 0
	Gandai	4,932 15 9	15,023 3 0	...	9,228 5 10	3,318 1 0
	Kowria	8,274 5 4	6,980 4 0	...	8,037 8 0	3,418 3 9
	Wararbandh	2,628 7 9	3,488 0 6	...	93 8 9	164 1 0
	Darchura	205 4 8	1,964 15 0	...	205 0 0	...
	Tarpongi	146 11 0	2,040 5 0	...	30 0 0	...
	Teela	121 0 10	1,521 8 6	...	38 12 0	46 1 0
	Total ...	64,502 14 5	51,144 4 9	115 0 0	57,397 14 3	17,525 13 0
BILASPUR.	Bilnigarh-*cum*-Katangi ...	2,734 2 8	(*i*) 9,415 14 0	...	3,179 4 6	2,370 8 10
	Kantoli	2,276 0 1	9,216 12 1	...	...	387 4 0
	Pendra	59,673 14 7	9,023 1 6	...	9,080 14 3	4,091 12 0
	Pandaria	1,18,692 7 11	63,472 13 9	...	12,560 14 2	13,700 2 4
	Total ...	1,83,376 9 3	91,128 9 4	...	24,821 0 11	20,549 11 2
SAMBALPUR.	Ghess	202 4 8	2,580 10 9	...	...	...
	Bora Sambhar	25,432 0 11	15,517 12 1	...	11,074 12 9	388 0 0
	Phuljhar	29,749 14 3	13,536 14 4	...	13,760 12 9	840 10 0
	Rengali	29 15 0	304 0 0	...	...	...
	Karandola	14 15 5	524 1 5	...	...	...
	Total ...	55,429 2 3	35,463 0 7	...	24,835 9 6	1,228 10 0
	TOTAL CHHATTISGARH DIVISION ..	3,03,308 9 11	1,77,736 4 8	115 0 0	1,07,054 8 8	39,304 2 2
	GRAND TOTAL ...	6,91,013 2 7	10,21,603 12 4	47,216 2 8	1,57,308 2 1	54,778 8 6

(*i*).—*Vide* remarks in Statement IV, column 8.
(*j*).—The difference of Rs. 50 between column 4 of Statement II and column 8 of Statement IV, is on account of Mauzah Banahil having been shewn in Statement II, but not in Statement IV.

UNDER REPORT FROM—					Debts recovered (principal).	Loans received.	Total.	GRAND TOTAL.
Interest on Government Securities or Railway shares.	Interest on other loans.	Miscellaneous	Advances recoverable.	Total.				
8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16
Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p	Rs. a. p	Rs. a. p	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p	Rs. a. p.
...	...	206 8 0	100 0 0	2,340 14 3	...	...	...	2,592 4 10
4,157 13 6	1,643 5 8	16,134 8 7	5,683 5 2	90,970 6 4	1,501 7 11	977 13 4	2,479 5 3	1,40,234 1 8
...	...	...	...	1,297 7 0	...	...	...	1,355 0 8
...	...	30 4 6	...	1,426 6 9	...	...	...	2,050 0 1
...	...	...	...	666 13 3	...	...	...	699 1 3
...	...	256 4 6	20 0 0	2,165 5 0	...	...	..	2,610 2 10
...	...	4,786 8 2	535 0 0	32,893 2 0	...	...	...	37,826 1 9
...	...	6,832 7 4	115 8 0	25,383 15 1	...	25,000 0 0	25,000 0 0	58,658 4 5
...	...	0 9 0	80 0 0	3,776 3 3	...	...	...	6,404 11 0
...	...	...	50 0 0	2,219 15 0	...	...	...	2,425 3 3
...	...	...	...	2,070 5 0	...	...	...	2,217 0 0
...	...	28 0 0	...	1,634 5 6	...	...	...	1,755 6 4
4,157 13 6	1,643 5 8	28, 77 2 1	6,583 13 2	1,66,845 2 5	1,501 7 11	25,977 13 4	27,479 5 3	2,58,827 6 1
...	...	14 2 0	...	14,979 13 4	...	...	...	(*k*) 18,923 7 3
...	...	21 6 6	3 0 0	9,628 6 7	...	...	...	(*l*) 12,104 6 3
...	...	61 6 4	...	22,257 2 1	...	...	...	(*m*) 84,282 5 0
...	...	139 2 6	...	89,873 0 9	1,000 0 0	...	1,000 0 0	(*n*) 2,28,526 11 4
...	...	236 1 4	3 0 0	1,36,738 6 9	1,000 0 0	...	1,000 0 0	3,43,836 14 3
...	...	143 9 0	...	2,724 3 9	...	...	...	2,926 8 3
...	...	13,238 11 7	508 6 0	40,727 10 5	175 5 0	...	175 5 0	66,335 0 4
...	7 8 0	10,505 10 6	301 7 0	41,952 14 7	40 0 0	...	40 0 0	71,742 12 10
...	...	...	...	304 0 0	...	...	...	333 15 0
...	...	...	...	524 1 5	...	...	...	539 0 10
...	7 8 0	23,887 15 1	809 13 0	86,232 14 2	215 5 0	...	215 5 0	1,41,877 5 5
4,157 13 6	1,650 13 8	52,401 2 6	7,396 10 2	3,89,816 7 4	2,716 12 11	25,977 13 4	28,694 10 3	7,44,541 9 9
22,699 5 8	26,689 6 11	3,70,378 9 1	64,509 6 3	17,65,193 5 6	1,36,989 9 0	38,020 9 4	1,75,010 2 4	26,53,938 8 8

(*k*).—Includes nominal sum ... Rs. ... 1,209 7 3
(*l*).— Do. do. ... ,, ... 200 0 0
(*m*).— Do. do. ... ,, ... 2,351 4 4
(*n*).— Do do. ... ,, ... 18,901 2 8
Total ... 22,721 14 3

STATEMENT III.—*Showing expenditure in each Estate under Government management*

Name of District.	Name of Estate.	Government revenue and cesses.	Village servants (including maintenance of Police and Pounds).	Cost of management.	Interest on debt.	Personal expenses.	Education.	Miscellaneous.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
		Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.
SAUGOR.	Dhana ...	12,844 4 6	1,266 4 4	4,771 15 3	...	651 0 0	...	10,503 6 11
	Tajpur ...	427 0 0	24 0 0	112 5 10	266 12 6	100 0 0	...	246 6 9
	Etawa ...	5,899 0 8	424 11 0	621 1 0	799 10 0	31 0 0	...	54 15 3
	Barha ...	338 4 0	69 0 0	220 11 7	...	556 0 0	...	283 7 0
	Mohara ...	317 8 0	15 0 0	151 9 11	...	236 5 4	3 7 0	794 4 3
	Total ...	19,826 1 2	1,798 15 4	5,877 11 7	1,066 0 6	1,574 5 4	3 7 0	11,882 8 2
DAMOH.	Singrampur ...	663 11 0	49 14 0	161 2 4	370 13 11	...	...	77 14 0
	Khari Deori ...	496 8 0	31 7 6	226 9 2	280 14 3	250 0 0	...	49 9 0
	Hindoria ...	902 0 0	96 8 6	556 5 7	...	967 0 0	122 5 0	630 1 2
	Nibai ...	470 7 3	22 9 10	195 4 9	...	128 8 9	...	132 3 6
	Tejgarh ...	676 0 0	29 4 0	1,124 11 5	...	1,339 0 0	32 8 0	1,304 15 8
	Gobra ...	243 0 0	54 14 0	280 4 6	661 3 6	174 0 0	10 0 0	121 1 9
	Konda Kalan ...	516 15 5	48 4 6	121 0 0	575 0 0	...	...	38 0 10
	Hatri ...	943 2 10	281 14 0	1,380 13 10	1,399 2 0	2,900 0 0	...	1,634 0 4
	Total ...	4,911 12 6	614 12 4	4,046 3 7	3,287 1 8	5,758 8 9	164 13 0	3,887 14 3
JUBBULPORE.	Budhagarh ...	11,737 1 7	...	2,319 0 11	1,870 5 0	2,113 15 0	...	749 8 10
	Bujrangarh ...	2,389 9 8	...	527 4 8	831 0 0	25 0 0	...	214 4 2
	Khitola ...	5,510 5 2	...	1,241 3 6	...	2,820 0 0	...	600 9 0
	Pounda ...	5,619 12 1	...	1,315 14 0	44 0 0	1,646 8 0	840 0 0	1,436 3 5
	Pounsra ...	808 5 0	8 0 0	114 7 5	...	180 0 0	...	193 11 6
	Bhatgowan ...	1,016 8 0	...	813 6 10	143 12 0	281 0 0	120 0 0	84 11 9
	Bandha ...	2,004 10 3	15 0 0	860 14 7	1,229 3 3	1,342 0 0	...	1,186 9 2
	Ganyari ...	2,312 12 10	...	798 3 5	..	1,055 0 0	...	704 15 9
	Bijora ...	594 14 11	...	136 8 5	...	240 0 0	...	269 13 10
	Bijori ..	3,004 1 0	41 0 0	682 12 11	...	705 0 0	...	442 14 4
	Nimi Bhidari ...	476 7 0	...	56 5 7	...	...	...	49 9 7
	Mudia ...	3,155 12 0	...	660 5 8	70 2 3	944 15 0	7 8 0	489 11 8
	Mohania ..	2,040 0 7	...	1,092 1 8	1,052 0 9	734 3 6	6 8 0	1,875 10 2
	Total ...	41,130 4 1	64 0 0	10,118 9 7	5,240 7 3	12,087 9 6	974 0 0	8,298 5 2
MANDLA.	Singharpur ...	840 1 2	...	224 13 3	...	240 11 0	...	32 3 4
	Bhagha ...	575 3 8	...	102 14 4	...	180 12 0	...	252 6 5
	Total ...	1,415 4 10	...	327 11 7	...	421 7 0	...	284 9 9

Unadjusted advances outstanding.	Total.	Invested in Government securities or Railway shares.	Invested in other loans or Takavi.	Invested in purchase of land or houses.	Invested in estate improvements.	Spent in repayment of debt (principal.)	Total.	Grand Total.	Balance uninvested at close of period under report.
10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19
Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p	Rs. a. p	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p	Rs. a. p
...	30,036 15 0	...	...	3,580 0 0	4,521 0 7	...	8,101 0 7	38,137 15 7	32,630 7 6
...	1,176 9 1	...	...	...	...	133 3 6	133 3 6	1,309 12 7	79 11 8
...	7,830 5 11	...	...	...	150 0 0	6,200 6 0	6,350 6 0	14,180 11 11	494 2 7
...	1,467 6 7	...	...	...	...	...	...	1,467 6 7	2,569 13 4
...	1,518 2 6	...	...	...	...	...	...	1,518 2 6	493 7 4
...	42,029 7 1	...	...	3,580 0 0	4,671 0 7	6,333 9 6	14,584 10 1	56,614 1 2	36,267 10 5
5 0 0	1,328 7 3	...	...	...	...	69 8 0	69 8 0	1,397 15 3	12 8 7
...	1,334 15 11	...	...	...	...	1,269 1 9	1,269 1 9	2,604 1 8	70 14 5
60 0 0	3,234 4 8	...	125 0 0	...	1,048 7 4	...	1,173 7 4	4,407 11 7	532 3 5
86 12 0	985 14 1	...	56 4 0	...	...	...	56 4 0	1,042 2 1	478 9 4
700 0 0	5,206 7 1	...	...	...	421 8 0	...	421 8 0	5,627 15 1	4,161 1 10
20 0 0	1,564 7 9	...	...	...	...	738 12 6	738 12 6	2,303 4 3	45 10 3
...	1,299 4 9	...	...	...	...	36 0 0	36 0 0	1,335 4 9	25 15 10
...	8,539 1 0	...	...	...	...	3,012 2 6	3,012 2 6	11,551 3 6	968 14 11
821 12 0	23,492 14 1	...	181 4 0	...	1,469 15 4	5,125 8 9	6,776 12 1	30,269 10 2	6,295 14 7
...	18,789 15 4	...	179 0 9	...	...	10,179 10 0	10,358 10 9	29,148 10 1	3,163 1 4
...	3,987 2 6	...	220 0 0	...	...	1,169 0 0	1,389 0 0	5,376 2 6	647 3 5
...	10,172 1 8	...	247 1 4	...	752 1 0	...	999 2 4	11,171 4 0	33,528 4 1
...	10,932 5 6	...	70 8 .6	...	278 4 7	5,500 0 0	5,848 13 1	16,781 2 7	4,029 4 8
...	804 7 11	...	...	...	...	...	...	804 7 11	2,044 6 11
...	1,989 6 7	...	...	...	28 0 0	156 4 0	184 4 0	2,173 10 7	501 2 8
...	6,638 5 3	...	485 13 2	...	25 8 0	270 12 9	782 1 11	7,420 7 2	1,973 6 4
...	4,871 0 0	...	7 0 0	...	252 8 0	...	259 8 0	5,130 8 0	17,681 10 2
...	1,241 5 2	...	...	...	...	...	...	1,241 5 2	2,220 7 6
...	4,875 12 3	...	...	...	366 5 0	...	366 5 0	5,242 1 3	20,794 12 3
...	582 6 2	...	...	...	...	...	...	582 6 2	284 14 2
...	5,328 6 7	...	79 0 0	...	...	529 13 9	608 13 9	5,937 4 4	1,771 14 8
...	7,700 8 8	...	6,589 0 0	...	8 12 0	33,397 15 3	39,995 11 3	47,696 3 11	1,754 14 1
...	77,913 3 7	...	7,877 7 9	...	1,711 6 7	51,203 7 9	60,792 6 1	1,38,705 9 8	90,395 6 0
...	1,337 12 9	...	...	...	...	...	...	1,337 12 9	7,013 15 4
...	1,111 4 5	...	...	...	...	...	...	1,111 4 5	891 1 7
...	2,449 1 2	...	...	...	...	...	...	2,449 1 2	7,905 0 11

STATEMENT III.—*Showing expenditure in each Estate under Government management*

Name of District.	Name of Estate.	Government revenue and cesses.	Village servants (including maintenance of Police and Pounds)	Cost of management.	Interest on debt.	Personal expenses.	Education.	Miscellaneous.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
		Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.
SEONI.	Lakhnadon ...	1,177 4 0	5 0 0	333 1 5	797 7 6	342 0 0	2 8 0	459 12 1
	Maina Piparia ...	608 0 0	...	173 1 1	390 0 3	464 5 0	...	112 13 2
	Kaniwara ...	1,325 2 0	...	762 7 9	...	6,359 9 0	67 2 4	265 11 6
	Jhamar ...	218 4 0	...	45 2 8	26 8 9	168 0 0	...	70 0 0
	Sejwara ...	789 8 0	...	475 1 10	437 3 6	1,261 8 0	...	229 2 3
	Narela ...	378 4 0	...	220 6 8	1,232 4 6	150 0 0	...	122 14 3
	Total ...	4,496 6 0	5 0 0	2,009 5 5	2,883 8 6	8,745 6 0	69 10 4	1,260 5 3
	TOTAL JUBBULPORE DN...	71,779 12 7	2,482 11 8	22,379 9 9	12,477 7 11	28,587 4 7	1,211 14 4	25,613 10 7
NARSINGHPUR.	Imjhira ...	3,904 11 4	494 1 4	1,634 4 1	...	4,171 9 9	8 2 0	4,443 8 6
	Narsinghpur ...	10,994 12 5	409 14 2	2,242 1 4	3,595 12 9	1,860 0 0	...	2,826 2 11
	Balirora ...	401 0 0	12 4 0	126 3 1	455 2 0	...	...	34 0 3
	Deonagarh ...	897 4 0	0 14 6	293 11 7	545 7 9	335 0 0	64 8 0	79 0 9
	Chawarpatha ...	4,764 1 9	176 11 2	1,248 12 1	...	4,223 2 6	...	3,622 5 11
	Amehta ...	279 4 0	...	87 11 11	28 3 6	123 0 0	...	54 10 0
	Bilthari ...	313 10 10	1 2 2	62 12 0	45 15 5	90 0 0	...	80 11 8
	Kowria (Nub) ...	(a) 520 11 6	1 14 0	88 7 3	34 1 3	167 0 0	6 12 0	255 0 0
	Sanikhera ...	1,533 12 8	75 12 3	330 5 4	266 9 3	352 0 0	0 12 0	273 15 4
	Ramkhiria ...	651 0 0	51 7 0	166 12 4	...	802 0 0	80 0 0	700 13 0
	Baroda ...	146 6 0	2 10 0	45 15 2	...	...	...	100 6 9
	Chirchitta ...	187 1 0	6 11 4	62 15 6	152 14 1	...	...	2 11 0
	Umaria ...	5,774 4 0	278 14 4	892 8 7	231 14 0	1,295 12 6	...	705 8 0
	Bakori ...	94 0 0	10 0 0	37 12 3	138 12 0	...	...	7 10 3
	Singhpur ...	3,214 5 4	83 7 6	887 4 9	3,725 9 1	...	5 8 0	321 14 11
	Bamhori ...	2,024 8 8	22 0 2	406 0 7	1,527 3 6	...	...	59 12 9
	Surra ...	233 14 6	5 6 2	75 1 8	269 10 6	...	...	57 4 3
	Bhugwara ...	745 8 0	30 13 0	174 1 7	138 8 0	...	...	54 13 5
	Hathnapur ...	522 8 0	31 15 0	289 3 0	...	546 0 0	2 0 0	215 5 3
	Bagaspur ...	(c) 595 7 6	9 10 11	156 15 9	288 5 0	100 0 0	...	65 7 0
	Amgaon ...	2,202 0 10	108 6 5	414 5 0	678 9 0	...	3 4 0	46 6 3
	Total ...	40,000 4 4	1,813 15 1	9,723 5 8	12,072 9 1	14,065 8 9	170 14 0	14,007 8 2

(a) Excluding Rs. 10-4-10 remained to be paid to a proprietor as revenue
(b) Out of this amount of Rs. 83-10-3 have been wrongly credited to
(c) Does not tally with Column 15 of Statement I because last year Rs. 3

in the Central Provinces, during the year ending the 30th September 1893.—(Contd.)

Unadjusted advances outstanding.	Total.	Invested in Government securities or Railway shares.	Invested in other loans or Takavi.	Invested in purchase of land or houses.	Invested in estate improvements.	Spent in repayment of debt (principal.)	Total.	Grand Total.	Balance uninvested at close of period under report.
10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19
Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p	Rs. a. p.
...	3,117 1 0	...	...	...	...	1,202 8 6	1,202 8 6	4,319 9 6	666 6 7
...	1,748 3 6	...	...	...	...	5,547 2 9	5,547 2 9	7,295 6 3	469 2 10
...	8,780 0 7	...	...	...	...	...	...	8,780 0 7	3,354 9 5
...	527 15 5	...	...	...	...	276 3 10	276 3 10	804 3 3	84 13 2
...	3,192 7 7	...	...	...	...	232 12 6	232 12 6	3,425 4 1	65 15 1
...	2,103 13 5	...	...	...	...	167 11 6	167 11 6	2,271 8 11	859 14 0
...	19,469 9 6	...	...	...	...	7,426 7 1	7,426 7 1	20,896 0 7	5,500 13 1
821 12 0	1,65,354 3 5	...	8,058 11 9	3,580 0 0	7,852 6 0	70,089 1 1	89,580 8 4	2,54,934 6 9	1,46,364 13 0
...	14,656 5 2	...	5,200 0 0	...	2,988 5 3	...	8,188 5 3	22,844 10 5	10,678 0 11
141 4 9	22,070 0 4	...	...	...	839 8 7	7,218 3 9	8,057 12 4	30,127 12 8	1,277 10 4
100 0 0	1,128 9 4	...	...	...	...	244 14 0	244 14 0	1,373 7 4	128 0 0
...	2,215 14 7	...	...	...	...	854 8 3	854 8 3	3,070 6 10	1 10 11
...	14,035 2 1	...	600 0 0	...	2,320 0 9	...	2,920 0 9	16,955 2 10	6,379 7 1
...	572 13 5	...	...	...	...	271 12 6	271 12 6	844 9 11	131 2 7
57 11 1	651 15 2	...	...	6 0 0	...	254 0 7	260 0 7	911 15 9	58 2 5
...	1,073 14 0	...	...	47 10 0	...	353 6 9	401 0 9	1,474 14 9	64 13 10
...	2,833 2 10	...	...	...	...	1,033 6 9	1,033 6 9	3,866 9 7	6 0 1
...	2,452 0 4	...	...	112 8 0	328 14 0	...	441 6 0	2,893 6 4	1,478 9 1
...	205 6 5	...	...	...	9 0 0	...	9 0 0	304 6 5	2,720 15 0
...	412 4 11	...	...	...	...	97 1 11	97 1 11	509 6 10	(5) 118 3 1
...	9,178 13 5	...	...	...	...	1,368 2 0	1,368 2 0	10,546 15 5	440 8 3
...	288 2 6	...	...	...	...	111 4 0	111 4 0	399 6 6	56 12 1
14 15 6	8,253 1 1	...	...	...	...	1,974 6 11	1,974 6 11	10,227 8 0	541 6 1
13 0 0	4,052 9 8	...	...	...	...	1,172 12 6	1,172 12 6	5,225 6 2	127 4 4
...	641 4 7	...	...	...	...	4,153 4 0	4,153 4 0	4,794 8 7	2(
...	1,143 12 0	...	...	...	357 13 6	520 0 0	877 13 6	2,021 9 6	340 0 3
...	1,006 15 2	...	...	3 0 0	...	...	3 0 0	1,609 15 3	188 2 7
...	1,165 14 2	...	...	...	...	611 11 0	611 11 0	1,777 3 2	108 6 9
88 9 4	3,541 8 10	...	...	...	...	1,021 7 0	1,021 7 0	4,562 15 10	85 5 2
415 8 8	92,269 10 1	...	5,800 0 0	169 2 0	6,843 10 1	21,260 5 11	34,073 2 0	1,26,342 12 1	24,951 15 1

and hence this figure does not tally with Column 15 of Statement I.
Gorula Personal deposit account and hence balance in Treasury is Rs. 34-8-10 only.
were paid in excess of the proper revenue.

STATEMENT III.—*Showing expenditure in each Estate under Government management*

Name of District.	Name of Estate.	Government revenue and cesses.	Village servants (including maintenance of Police and Pounds).	Cost of management.	Interest on debt.	Personal expenses.	Education.	Miscellaneous.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
		Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.
HOSHANGABAD.	Babai	10,574 13 6	122 7 3	1,776 5 10	1,997 11 6	1,800 0 0	...	815 4 0
	Malhanwara	864 12 6	...	98 6 5	23 10 0	100 0 0	...	43 8 9
	Gararia	965 6 9	25 8 0	281 9 7	1,691 13 2	18 0 0	...	1 2 0
	Nipania	4,057 0 1	65 4 0	2,549 5 8	3,268 15 9	2,487 0 0	...	1,982 9 10
	Fatteh pur	26,392 2 4	1,392 5 9	4,154 1 3	...	12,800 0 0	214 6 4	2,500 12 6
	Ganera	2,689 8 0	47 0 0	1,005 2 2	3,733 7 0	600 0 0	...	506 1 6
	Behrakheri	3,564 15 9	61 2 0	1,447 9 6	8,500 0 0	...	...	1,401 2 6
	Isurpur	1,314 4 0	...	479 11 7	920 13 3	625 0 0	...	101 11 9
	Sobhapur	24,992 5 9	162 13 6	3,971 11 1	2,325 10 9	3,790 0 0	50 0 0	447 10 10
	Total ...	74,915 4 10	1,876 8 6	15,763 15 1	22,462 1 5	22,220 0 0	264 6 4	7,799 15 8
NIMAR.	Mandhatta	198 14 4	162 0 0	3,947 1 8	...	10,780 9 9	527 13 4	13,257 14 5
	Dhertalai	228 9 3	...	252 0 0	696 11 9	300 0 0	...	61 7 0
	Total ...	427 7 7	162 0 0	4,199 1 8	696 11 9	11,080 9 9	527 13 4	13,319 5 5
BETUL.	Kolgaon	565 12 0	83 4 0	236 7 0	...	320 0 0	...	224 10 0
	Kheri	532 0 0	55 12 0	681 11 7	...	430 0 0	...	750 6 8
	Salnkhera	1,877 0 0	259 6 9	488 15 6	...	845 0 0	...	816 5 1
	Kesla	490 4 0	228 0 3	929 6 6	...	413 0 0	...	624 15 7
	Masode	1,358 0 0	108 0 0	218 9 0	1,180 12 0	120 0 0	...	398 8 0
	Baghora	1,070 8 0	74 10 0	63 3 0	...	360 0 0	...	247 0 3
	Ubaria	338 2 10	15 15 0	202 12 10	284 10 0	120 0 0	...	75 8 4
	Total ...	6,231 10 10	825 0 0	2,841 1 5	1,465 6 0	2,608 0	...	3,137 5 11

Unadjusted advances outstanding.	Total.	Invested in Government securities or Railways shares.	Invested in other loans or Takavi.	Invested in purchase of land or houses.	Invested in estate improvements.	Spent in repayment of debt (principal).	Total.	Grand Total.	Balance uninvested at close of period under report.
10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19
Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.
...	17,086 10 1	...	...	...	299 15 8	3,002 4 6	3,302 3 9	20,388 13 10	2,001 11 2
...	630 5 10	...	...	...	...	176 6 0	176 6 0	806 11 10	150 14 8
...	2,983 7 6	...	...	...	...	108 2 10	108 2 10	3,091 10 4	402 15 10
150 0 0	14,560 9 4	...	723 9 0	400 0 0	...	10,376 0 3	11,499 9 3	2'6059 12 7	(*d*)12,238 8 9
838 0 4	48,291 12 6	...	19,543 2 11	448 0 0	8,781 15 5	...	28,773 2 4	77,064 14 10	28,415 7 7
100 0 0	8,681 2 8	...	...	...	...	1,266 9 0	1,266 9 0	9,947 11 8	563 14 2
550 0 0	15,524 13 9	...	...	...	...	...	...	15,524 13 9	353 12 5
100 0 0	3,541 8 7	...	...	780 0 0	...	1,379 2 9	2,159 2 9	5,700 11 4	*660 4 10
207 15 0	35,948 2 11	...	...	...	2,884 11 7	7,674 5 3	10,559 0 10	46,507 3 9	†4,998 8 0
1,945 15 4	1,47,248 3 2	...	20,266 11 11	1,628 0 0	11,966 10 3	23,982 14 7	57,844 4 9	2,05,092 7 11	49,184 2 2
700 0 0	29,574 5 6	...	...	...	...	...	...	29,574 5 6	11,072 11 6
...	1,538 12 0	...	...	...	...	803 4 3	803 4 3	2,342 0 3	926 1 0
700 0 0	31,113 1 6	...	...	...	...	803 4 3	803 4 3	31,916 5 9	11,998 12 6
...	1,430 1 0	...	...	...	263 10 1	...	263 10 1	1,693 11 1	473 1 0
70 0 0	2,519 14 3	...	1,300 0 0	...	622 1 5	...	1,922 1 5	4,441 15 8	8,461 10 1
...	4,286 11 4	...	...	...	257 1 9	1,800 0 0	2,057 1 9	6,343 13 1	511 8 8
0 4 0	2,685 14 4	...	35 0 0	...	1,335 1 8	...	1,370 1 8	4,056 0 0	9,145 5 8
...	3,383 13 0	...	...	...	...	15,975 0 6	15,975 0 6	19,358 13 6	507 1 1
6 4 9	1,841 10 0	...	...	...	9 11 0	500 0 0	509 11 0	2,351 5 0	220 2 1
...	1,037 1 0	...	...	...	5 0 0	227 6 0	232 6 0	1,269 7 0	566 14 8
76 8 9	17,185 0 11	...	1,335 0 0	...	2,492 9 11	18,502 6 0	22,330 0 5	39,515 1 4	19,885 10 10

(*d*).—Including cash in hand of Mohariv and value of grain, viz :—

		Rs. a. p.
In Treasury	...	6,390 7 7
In hand of Mohariv	...	2 1 0
Total	...	6,402 8 7
Add Value of grain	...	5,836 0 2
Total	...	12,238 8 9

* Including Re. 1-0-0 on account of surplus collections.
† Do. Rs. 186-5-8 do. do. do.

STATEMENT III.—*Showing expenditure in each Estate under Government management*

Name of District.	Name of Estate.	Government revenue and cesses.	Village servants (including maintenance of Police and Pounds).	Cost of management.	Interest on debt.	Personal expenses.	Education.	Miscellaneous.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
		Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.
CHHINDWARA.	Pagara	83 2 3	1,696 6 10	2,851 4 11	..	9,902 9 1	417 14 10	1,398 1 0
	Dhoda Borgaon	294 C 0	11 0 3	52 13 1	...	242 0 0	...	3 8 4
	Chowkda Dhana	25 0 0	...	...	...	...	...	0 1 0
	Dhusawani	313 7 0	...	13 8 7	24 12 7	...	...	...
	Chiriwani	106 8 0	5 12 11	13 7 7	...	184 0 0	...	15 8 4
	Total ...	812 9 3	1,713 4 0	2,931 2 2	24 12 7	10,328 9 1	417 14 10	1,417 2 8
	TOTAL NERBUDDA DIVISION ...	1,22,387 4 10	6,390 11 11	35,458 10 0	36,721 8 10	60,802 11 7	1,381 C 6	39,681 5 10
WARDHA.	Moe	1,999 7 9	...	513 14 1	..	546 0 0	...	119 10 8
	Hingni	2,695 1 10	...	516 14 4	122 8 0	673 8 0	26 0 0	21 14 0
	Chandewani	881 8 4	...	54 10 2	...	144 0 0	...	0 4 0
	Total ...	5,576 1 11	...	1,085 6 7	122 8 0	1,363 8 0	26 0 0	141 12 8
NAGPUR.	Chachur	4,020 0 0	32 0 0	1,352 0 0	5,880 0 0	4,800 0 0	...	1,246 0 0
	Bhonsla	86,378 0 0	3,057 0 0	26,196 0 0	..	1,34,674 0 0	42,167 0 0	51,615 0 0
	Sansthanik	46,643 0 0	214 0 0	7,238 0 0	...	46,835 0 0	275 0 0	10,708 0 0
	Bori	1,560 0 0	5 0 0	439 0 0	...	638 0 0	28 0 0	402 0 0
	Pandurang Rao Gujar ...	2,809 0 0	5 0 0	288 0 0	552 0 0	2,212 0 0	...	461 0 0
	Krishna Rao Gujar	2,450 0 0	6 0 0	1,037 0 0	1,553 0 0	4,262 0 0	...	967 0 0
	Yadeo Rao Jamdar	575 0 0	2 0 0	414 0 0	4,169 0 0	1,127 0 0	...	302 0 0
	Laxmi Bai Naikin	3,111 0 0	7 0 0	1,481 0 0	...	2,061 0 0	96 0 0	3,030 0 0
	Total ...	1,47,546 0 0	3,328 0 0	38,445 0 0	12,154 0 0	1,96,609 0 0	42,566 0 0	68,732 0 0

Unadjusted advances outstanding.	Total.	Invested in Government securities or Railway shares.	Invested in other loans or Takavi.	Invested in purchase of land or houses.	Invested in estate improvements.	Spent in repayment of debt (principal).	Total.	Grand Total.	Balance uninvested at close of period under report.
10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19
Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.
1,218 0 0	17,567 6 11	..	3,649 3 0	110 10 0	8,467 10 3	...	12,227 7 3	29,794 14 2	39,907 6 2
...	593 13 6	...	...	...	...	...	...	593 13 8	487 1 0
...	25 1 0	...	...	...	...	...	...	25 1 0	20 5 0
...	351 12 2	...	...	...	...	55 0 5	55 0 5	406 12 7	...
...	325 4 10	...	...	...	...	...	...	325 4 10	3,079 11 2
1,218 0 0	18,863 6 7	...	3,649 3 0	110 10 0	8,467 10 3	55 0 5	12,282 7 8	31,145 14 3	43,494 7 4
4,356 0 9	3,06,679 6 3	...	31,050 14 11	1,907 12 0	29,770 8 6	64,603 15 8	1,27,333 3 1	4,34,012 9 4	1,49,514 15 11
...	3,179 0 1	...	1,275 2 0	...	676 0 0	...	1,951 2 0	5,130 2 1	3,674 1 6
...	4,055 14 2	...	...	...	240 0 0	777 8 0	1,017 8 0	5,073 6 2	642 0 6
...	1,080 5 6	...	...	...	50 0 0		50 0 0	1,130 6 6	1,083 11 2
...	8,315 4 9	...	1,275 2 0	...	966 0 0	777 8 0	3,018 10 0	11,333 14 9	5,605 13 2
616 0 0	17,946 0 0	...	...	...	21 0 0	6,619 14 0	6,640 14 0	24,586 14 0	893 11 1
38,212 0 0	3,82,299 0 0	...	1,06,274 0 0	295 0 0	2,958 0 0	...	1,09,527 0 0	4,91,826 0 0	37,615 4 5
4,855 0 0	1,16,763 0 0	...	400 0 0	1,000 0 0	176 0 0	...	1,576 0 0	1,18,339 0 0	5,588 2 4
312 0 0	3,384 0 0	...	...	...	...	...	...	3,384 0 0	466 12 7
276 0 0	6,603 0 0	...	...	...	...	1,197 14 0	1,197 14 0	7,800 14 0	839 8 0
873 0 0	10,648 0 0	...	...	...	20 0 0	4,439 11 1	4,459 11 1	15,107 11 1	1,168 10 10
91 0 0	6,630 0 0	...	...	...	4 0 0	873 7 3	877 7 3	7,557 7 3	258 5 2
3,827 0 0	13,119 0 0	2,000 0 0	...	...	...	...	2,000 0 0	15,119 0 0	2,871 3 1
48,062 0 0	5,57,442 0 0	2,000 0 0	1,06,674 0 0	1,295 0 0	3,179 0 0	13,130 14 4	1,26,278 14 4	6,83,720 14 4	49,701 9 6

STATEMENT III.—*Showing Expenditure in each Estate under Government*

Name of District.	Name of Estate.	Government revenue and cesses.	Village servants (including maintenance of Police and Pounds).	Cost of management.	Interest on debt.	Personal expenses.	Education.	Miscellaneous.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
		Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.
BHANDARA.	Darekasa ...	252 8 0	8 4 0	277 3 8	...	250 0 0	...	236 9 7
	Kamtha ...	58,457 14 10	1,013 0 0	4,170 8 3	...	1,858 0 0	967 6 9	5,314 0 8
	Salekasa ...	288 8 0	8 4 0	251 4 8	...	220 0 0	120 0 0	8 15 2
	Palkhera ...	2,981 0 0	9 8 0	247 7 2	386 11 8	200 0 0	...	19 4 3
	Raka ...	386 12 0	...	26 9 5	152 2 0	144 0 0	...	0 10 0
	Total...	57,467 10 10	1,039 0 0	4,973 1 2	538 13 8	2,672 0 0	1,087 6 9	5,579 7 2
BALAGHAT.	Nansari ...	(e) 1,104 11 3	...	346 15 0	...	725 0 0	71 0 0	189 7 11
	Bargaon ...	828 0 7	...	270 1 7	...	533 0 0	114 0 0	589 9 3
	Khursori ...	723 1 11	...	163 11 9	198 15 9	...	...	14 3 4
	Linga ...	1,472 10 8	...	696 14 5	...	1,063 10 7	...	1,985 0 6
	Kinhi I ...	923 13 6	...	393 0 3	14 6 6	350 0 0	...	206 2 9
	Kinhi II ...	(k) 1,182 9 7	...	484 11 4	219 4 9	600 0 0	...	132 2 6
	Total ...	6,234 15 6	...	2,265 6 4	432 11 0	3,271 10 7	185 0 0	3,116 11 2
	TOTAL, NAGPUR DN. ...	2,16,824 12 3	4,367 0 0	46,768 14 1	13,248 0 8	2,03,916 2 7	43,864 6 9	77,569 14 6
RAIPUR.	Mohrenga ...	533 6 0	39 11 1	243 0 3	544 7 5	...	...	481 10 0
	Bindra Nawagarh ...	13,815 12 0	17 0 0	15,761 7 11	...	11,494 13 5	245 0 0	43,709 12 0
	Bathena ...	437 13 0	...	34 11 6	304 4 8	...	...	118 3 5
	Bahera ...	888 3 0	36 0 0	39 5 1	...	...	...	607 3 2
	Parsada ...	431 4 0	5 0 0	24 13 4	75 13 10	...	...	43 7 11
	Patan ...	(l) 978 10 6	40 0 0	105 9 7	298 6 4	826 0 0	...	370 1 0
	Gaudai ...	8,767 0 0	...	4,772 9 9	...	3,488 0 11	...	8,121 7 0
	Kowdia ...	3,167 0 0	...	2,785 14 7	2,045 7 0	2,243 0 0	181 2 0	8,036 5 8
	Wararbandh ...	282 12 0	..	310 9 3	...	180 6 0	138 0 3	819 9 1
	Darchura ...	987 8 0	...	50 6 8	265 7 10	240 0 0	...	275 2 11
	Tarpongi ...	1,233 2 0	...	21 13 1	350 9 6	...	...	62 12 0
	Tecla ...	914 6 0	4 0 0	34 15 9	572 1 0	...	...	86 2 1
	Total ...	32,436 12 6	141 11 1	24,185 4 9	4,456 9 7	17,972 4 4	664 2 3	62,781 13 3

(e). In Government Treasury ... Rs. a. p. 3,016 1 7
In hand ... 20 0 7
Total ... 3,036 2 2

(g). In Government Treasury ... 882 0 4
In hand ... 35 4 0
Total ... 917 4 4

(i).—Rs. 31-13-7 were drawn in excess from the Treasury, through an oversight, instead of from Borgaon Estate. This sum was of Statement II.

(j).—This column does not agree with column 8 of Statement VI for the reasons given below:—
(1) Statement VI was shown blank in the previous year, but during the year under report one Shivnarayan of Gondia

(2) When the Court of Wards took possession of the Sir land, Poura Moksaan, the mother of the elder ward, urged that Enquiry was made into her liabilit-

(k).—Rs. 2 were drawn in excess under this head, through an oversight, but afterwards refunded and included under
(l).—*Vide* remarks in Statement I.

Unadjusted Advances outstanding.	Total.	Invested in Government Securities or Railway Shares.	Invested in other Loans or Takavi.	Invested in purchase of Land or Houses.	Invested in Estate Improvements.	Spent in Repayment of Debt (Principal.)	Total.	Grand Total.	Balance Uninvested at close of period under report.
10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19
Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.
...	1,125 9 3	...	...	...	...	...	...	1,125 9 3	(*e*) 3,036 2 2
500 0 0	67,280 14 1	...	5,051 0 0	...	11,315 4 11	...	16,366 4 11	83,647 3 0	(*f*) 45,817 10 4
...	896 15 11	...	...	...	...	...	...	896 15 11	(*g*) 917 4 4
...	3,843 15 0	...	...	...	...	613 4 4	613 4 4	4,457 3 4	(*h*) 117 6 9
...	710 1 5	...	...	...	..	397 14 0	397 14 0	1,107 15 5	62 0 4
500 0 0	73,857 7 8	...	5,051 0 0	...	11,315 4 11	1,011 2 4	17,377 7 3	91,234 14 11	49,950 7 11
35 11 4	2,472 13 6	...	190 0 0	...	246 8 0	...	436 8 0	2,909 5 6	152 6 2
1 8 6	2,336 3 11	...	830 0 0	...	50 0 0	...	880 0 0	3,216 3 11	125 2 5
0 4 4	1,100 5 1	...	...	...	...	251 0 3	251 0 3	1,351 5 4	57 6 6
73 3 3	5,201 7 4	...	1,225 0 0	5,050 0 0	800 0 3	(*f*) 285 12 6	7,360 12 9	12,562 4 1	238 15 3
71 12 9	1,959 3 9	...	...	...	171 2 9	6,162 9 10	6,333 12 7	8,293 0 4	206 8 3
5 5 4	2,624 2 6	...	...	...	6 5 3	1,007 11 0	1,014 0 3	3,638 2 9	271 10 10
187 13 6	15,694 4 1	...	2,245 0 0	5,050 0 0	1,274 0 3	7,707 1 7	16,276 1 10	31,970 5 11	1,052 1 5
48,749 13 6	6,56,309 0 6	2,000 0 0	1,15,245 2 0	6,345 0 0	10,734 5 2	22,626 10 3	1,62,951 1 5	8,18,260 1 11	1,06,310 0 0
100 0 0	1,942 2 9	...	...	...	74 0 0	455 8 7	529 8 7	2,471 11 4	120 9 6
10,549 13 4	95,693 10 8	...	7,965 0 0	...	12,083 2 11	...	20,048 2 11	1,15,741 13 7	24,492 4 1
...	895 0 7	...	...	...	...	445 11 4	445 11 4	1,340 11 11	14 4 4
...	1,570 11 3	...	...	...	...	...	...	1,570 11 3	479 4 10
...	580 7 1	...	...	...	...	114 2 2	114 2 2	694 9 3	4 8 0
20 0 0	2,138 11 5	...	...	...	...	201 9 8	201 9 8	2,340 5 1	260 13 9
510 0 0	25,659 1 8	...	...	...	555 10 1	2,607 12 1	3,163 6 2	28,822 7 10	9,008 9 11
173 0 0	18,631 13 2	...	...	...	63 5 3	26,747 2 0	26,810 7 3	45,442 4 6	13,215 15 11
...	1,731 4 7	...	...	...	...	...	...	1,731 4 7	4,673 6 5
50 0 0	1,868 9 5	...	...	...	...	284 8 2	284 8 2	2,153 1 7	272 2 1
...	1,668 5 7	...	...	...	...	349 6 6	349 6 6	2,017 12 1	199 3 11
...	1,611 8 10	...	...	...	...	112 15 0	112 15 0	1,724 7 10	30 14 6
11,402 13 4	1,53,991 7 1	...	7,965 0 0	...	12,776 2 3	31,318 11 6	52,059 13 9	2,06,051 4 10	52,776 1 3

(*f*) In Government Treasury .. Rs. a. p. 44,575 8 1
In hand ... 1,242 2 3
Total . 45,817 10 4

(*h*) In Government Treasury . 100 6 9
In hand 17 0 0
Total 117 6 9

afterwards recovered from the Borgaon Estate and credited to this estate—and included under "Miscellaneous"

took out execution of a decree he had obtained against the late Pandu Mokasi. On enquiry his claim was found to be correct *, paid to him and the claim satisfied... Rs. a. p. *113 13 6

she had incurred some debts for purposes of cultivation, and the Court of Wards undertook to pay them. ... †173 0 0

ties †, and paid off during the year under notice, with the Commissioner's sanction, No. 3107, dated 12th April 1893. Total ... 286 13 6

"Miscellaneous" in Statement II.

STATEMENT III.—*Showing Expenditure in each Estate under Government*

Name of District.	Name of Estate.	Government revenue and cesses.	Village servants (including maintenance of Police and Pounds).	Cost of management.	Interest on debt.	Personal expenses.	Education.	Miscellaneous.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
		Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.
BILASPUR.	Bilaigarh *cum* Katangi	6,652 4 0	...	2,623 5 2	123 9 4	3,620 1 6	...	241 8 6
	Kanteli ...	3,772 2 1	...	836 15 1		1,812 7 9	...	5 0 0
	Pendra ...	6,747 0 0	910 0 0	3,810 7 5	...	6,518 13 6	...	5,175 2 8
	Pandaria ...	38,486 0 0	...	14,589 3 6	...	11,646 4 3	...	26,881 5 7
	Total ...	55,657 6 1	910 0 0	21,859 15 2	123 9 4	23,597 11 0	...	32,303 0 9
SAMBALPUR.	Ghess ...	1,266 2 3	...	99 10 0	758 14 6	280 0 0	...	23 0 9
	Borasambar ...	7,341 9 0	396 0 0	6,119 13 8	...	7,048 10 6	6,058 0 0	9,131 6 4
	Phuljhar ...	10,198 7 0	361 0 0	6,111 13 1	...	4,511 10 0	5,015 0 0	5,304 15 4
	Rengali ...	...	...	34 0 2	27 5 9	...	...	3 3 2
	Kandola ...	287 11 0	...	38 7 7	106 6 6	...	...	2 3 1
	Total ...	19,093 13 3	757 0 0	12,403 12 6	892 10 9	11,840 4 6	11,073 0 0	14,464 12 8
	TOTAL, CHHATTISGARH DIVISION ...	1,07,187 15 10	1,808 11 1	58,449 0 5	5,472 13 8	53,410 3 10	11,737 2 1	1,09,409 10 8
	GRAND TOTAL ...	5,18,179 13 6	15,049 2 8	1,63,056 2 3	67,919 15 1	3,46,216 6 7	58,194 7 10	2,52,364 9 9

		Rs. a. p.
(m).	Includes nominal sum	... 515 5 2
(n).	Do. do.	... 2,980 6 3
(p).	Do. do.	... 33,090 4 3
		Total ... 36,585 15 8

management, during the year ending the 30th September 1893.—(Concld.)

Unadjusted advances outstanding.	Total.	Invested in Government Securities or Railway shares.	Invested in other Loans or Takavi.	Invested in purchase of Land or Houses.	Invested in Estate improvements.	Spent in repayment of Debt (Principal.)	Total.	Grand Total.	Balance misvested at close of period under report.
10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19
Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.
369 3 3	13,629 15 9	...	...	...	623 8 10	876 6 8	1,499 15 6	(m) 15,645 4 5	3,278 2 10
14 12 0	6,441 4 11	...	...	...	262 15 5	1,000 0 0	1,262 15 5	7,704 4 4	4,400 2 4
28 2 0	23,189 9 7	...	...	...	1,857 6 3	...	1,857 6 3	(n) 27,897 0 1	(o) 50,384 14 11
48 5 0	91,651 2 4	...	...	...	10,923 1 0	...	10,923 1 0	(p) 1,35,604 7 7	(q) 92,862 3 9
460 6 3	1,34,912 0 7	...	...	...	13,666 15 6	1,876 6 8	15,543 6 2	1,86,911 6 5	1,56,925 7 10
...	2,427 11 6	...	...	...	..	241 1 6	241 1 6	2,668 13 0	257 11 5
451 7 11	36,546 15 5	...	400 0 0	...	343 8 0	...	743 8 0	37,290 7 5	29,044 8 11
300 0 0	31,802 13 5	...	...	...	88 8 0	...	88 8 0	31,891 0 5	39,851 12 5
...	64 9 1	...	...	...	...	242 10 3	242 10 3	307 3 4	26 11 8
...	434 12 4	...	...	...	...	93 9 6	93 9 6	528 5 8	10 11 2
751 7 11	71,276 13 7	...	400 0 0	...	431 11 0	577 5 3	1,409 0 3	72,685 13 10	69,191 7 7
12,614 11 6	3,69,180 5 3	...	8,365 0 0	...	26,874 12 9	33,772 7 5	69,012 4 2	4,65,648 9 1	2,78,893 0 8
66,542 5 9	14,87,522 15 5	2,000 0 0	1,62,719 12 8	11,832 12 0	81,232 0 11	1,91,092 2 5	4,48,876 12 0	19,72,855 11 1	6,81,062 13 7

(o). Deduct difference of outstanding cheque at the close of the preceding year ... ... Rs. a. p. 95 13 0
And outstanding cheque at the close of year under report 36 15 0
Total ... 58 14 0

(q). Deduct difference of outstanding cheques as follows:—
Outstanding cheque at the close of the preceding year 126 4 0
Outstanding cheque at the close of the year under report 28 15 0
Total ... 97 5 0

STATEMENT IV.—*Showing efficiency of Rent Collection of the Estates under Government management in the Central Provinces, during the year ending the 30th September 1893.*

Name of District.	Name of Estate.	Demand.			Collection.			Balance.			
		Current.	Arrears.	Total.	On account of current demand.	On account of arrears.	Total.	On account of current demand.	On account of arrears.		
									Irrecoverable and written off.	Doubtful.	Recoverable.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
		Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.
Saugor ...	Dhana ...	32,180 13 5	(a) 3,327 10 7	35,508 8 0	(b) 31,325 8 10	2,808 3 7	34,133 12 5	(c) 857 3 10	...	...	519 7 0
	Tajpur ...	1,078 15 8	...	1,078 15 8	1,076 15 8	...	1,076 15 8	(d) 2 0 0	...	...	...
	Etawah ...	12,002 8 0	...	12,002 8 0	(e) 11,844 2 10	...	(e) 11,844 2 10	(f) 168 5 2	...	...	...
	Barha ...	2,029 9 6	...	2,029 9 6	2,027 9 6	...	2,027 9 6	(g) 2 0 0	...	...	...
	Mohara ...	687 14 0	...	687 14 0	687 14 0	...	687 14 0	...	...	...	...
	Total ..	47,979 12 7	3,327 10 7	51,307 7 2	46,962 2 10	2,808 3 7	49,770 6 5	1,029 9 0	...	...	519 7 0
Damoh ...	Singrampur ...	1,071 13 3	192 9 3	1,264 6 6	921 13 7	70 9 3	992 6 10	149 15 8	...	...	122 0 0
	Khari Deori ...	2,136 1 5	92 9 0	2,228 10 5	2,048 14 8	59 4 8	2,108 3 4	87 2 9	...	...	33 4 4
	Hindoria ...	2,375 2 10	...	2,375 2 10	2,371 2 10	...	2,371 2 10	4 0 0	...	...	...
	Nibai ...	933 12 11	106 0 0	1,039 12 11	771 6 8	14 0 0	785 6 8	(h) 162 6 3	92 0 0	...	...
	Tejgarh ...	2,947 4 1	31 12 8	2,979 0 9	2,871 9 10	10 13 9	2,882 7 7	75 10 3	...	...	20 14 11
	Gobra ...	2,133 5 11	44 4 5	2,177 10 4	2,034 3 10	17 0 1	2,051 3 11	99 2 1	...	...	27 4 4
	Konda Kalan ...	1,235 0 11	13 1 8	1,248 2 7	1,155 11 4	8 0 6	1,163 11 10	79 5 7	...	...	5 1 2
	Hatri ...	10,909 9 6	242 1 8	11,151 11 2	10,565 15 9	56 8 3	10,622 8 0	(i) 343 9 9	155 2 8	...	30 6 9
	Total ...	23,742 2 10	722 6 8	24,464 9 6	22,740 14 6	236 4 6	22,977 3 0	1,001 4 4	247 2 8	...	238 15 6

(a) Rs. 131-3-3 have been omitted, as a portion of this amount having been decreed and the balance struck off as irrecoverable during the last year.
(b) Includes Rs. 1-15-3 on account of advance recovered during the year.
(c) Excluding Rs. 1-15-3 on account of advance recovered. Out of this sum, Rs. 18 written off as irrecoverable.
(d) Written off.
(e) Includes Rs. 10 on account of advances recovered during the year.
(f) Excluding Rs. 10 on account of advance recovered.
(g) Written off.
(h) Out of Rs. 162-6-3, Rs. 92, on account of current demand, have been written off.
(i) Do. Rs. 343-9-9, Rs. 192-11-10, on account of current demand, have been written off.

Jubbulpore	Budhagarh ...	28,722 2 5	(j) 3,691 1 11	32,413 4 4	(k) 24,802 11 6	1,530 12 9	26,333 8 3	(l) 3,927 2 8	691 13 3	154 11 9	1,313 12 2
	Bujarangarh ...	6,007 7 5	(m) 672 7 3	6,679 14 8	5,258 6 1	352 5 7	5,610 11 8	749 1 4	...	...	320 1 8
	Khitola ...	12,638 5 8	(n) 584 2 4	13,272 8 0	11,158 7 9	431 6 10	11,589 14 7	1,529 13 11	...	...	152 11 6
	Pounda ...	14,245 8 2	646 6 7	14,891 14 9	(o) 13,284 10 4	442 5 1	(o) 13,726 15 5	(p) 961 13 10	142 10 3	20 0 0	41 7 3
	Pounsra ...	553 14 9	(q) 21 8 0	605 6 9	570 14 9	2 8 0	573 6 9	13 0 0	9 8 0	...	9 8 0
	Bhatgowan ...	1,872 15 6	(r) 62 9 9	1,935 9 3	1,782 2 9	(s) 49 15 9	1,832 2 6	90 12 9	...	(t) 7 8 0	(t) 5 6 0
	Bandha ...	6,532 14 7	(u) 1,916 9 6	8,449 8 1	5,754 0 9	1,005 10 0	6,759 10 9	778 13 10	39 12 0	641 10 6	229 9 0
	Ganyari ..	5,275 4 2	(v) 694 11 9	5,969 15 11	5,139 2 10	253 4 0	5,392 6 10	136 1 4	227 1 0	47 0 0	167 6 9
	Bijora ...	999 11 7	8 8 1	1,008 3 8	885 5 9	...	885 5 9	114 5 10	...	...	8 8 1
	Bijori ...	5,644 7 9	8 8 0	5,652 15 9	4,905 13 1	...	4,905 13 1	678 10 8	...	...	8 8 0
	Nimi Bhidari ..	853 14 2	(w) 23 12 0	877 10 2	793 5 9	15 8 0	808 13 9	60 8 5	...	...	8 4 0
	Mudia ...	5,589 4 11	295 2 9	5,884 7 8	4,736 8 7	154 14 6	4,891 7 1	852 12 4	...	51 0 0	89 4 3
	Mohania ..	7,811 11 5	503 4 6	8,314 15 11	6,749 8 8	146 4 10	6,895 13 6	1,062 2 9	247 13 7	...	109 2 1
	Total ...	96,827 10 0	9,128 12 5	1,05,956 6 11	85 881 2 7	4,384 15 4	90,266 1 11	10,955 3 8	1,358 10 1	921 14 3	2,463 8 9
Mandla ...	Singharpur ..	1,561 3 9	1,519 0 7	3,080 4 4	1,507 6 3	492 6 1	1,999 12 4	53 13 6	187 2 0	634 4 9	205 3 9
	Ghagha ...	893 11 0	197 11 6	1,091 6 6	822 15 3	43 2 3	863 1 6	70 11 9	...	99 12 9	54 12 6
	Total ..	2,454 14 9	1,716 12 1	4,171 10 10	2,330 5 6	535 8 4	2,865 13 10	124 9 3	187 2 0	734 1 6	260 0 3
Sconi ...	Lakhnadon ...	4,738 15 6	256 11 0	4,995 10 6	3,843 7 6	256 8 6	4,100 0 0	895 8 0	...	...	0 2 6
	Maina Piparia ..	2,221 8 6	(x) 16 11 0	2,238 3 6	1,838 14 6	6 0 0	1,844 14 6	382 10 0	...	...	10 11 0
	Kaniwara ..	6,465 4 3	(x) 488 10 0	6,953 14 3	5,280 14 9	251 8 0	5,532 6 9	1,184 5 6	...	...	237 2 0
	Jhamar ...	466 11 6	...	466 11 6	466 11 6	...	(y) 466 11 6	...	...	...	...
	Sejwara ..	2,685 5 1	(x) 187 7 0	2,872 12 1	2,115 5 10	31 12 0	2,147 1 10	569 15 3	...	128 11 0	27 0 0
	Narela ..	2,988 3 6	(x) 530 5 6	3,518 8 6	2,288 1 6	415 0 6	2,703 2 0	700 1 6	...	...	115 5 0
	Total ..	19,565 15 10	1,479 12 6	21,045 12 4	15,833 7 7	960 13 0	16,794 4 7	3,732 8 2	...	123 11 0	390 4 6
	TOTAL, JUBBULPORE DIVISION ...	1,90,570 8 6	16,375 6 3	2,03,945 14 9	1,73,748 1 6	8,925 12 9	1,82,673 13 9	16,843 2 6	1,722 14 9	1,784 10 9	3,872 4 0

(j) (1) The figure in the last year's statement was incorrect.
(2) The account of arrears in column 4 of this statement is in excess by Rs. 279-10-5 and less by Rs. 31-7-0, *i.e.*, *net* excess Rs. 247-3-5.
(k) Includes Rs. 7-11-9 on account of excess collections.
(l) Excludes Rs. 7-11-9 do. do.
(m) The total of columns 9, 11 and 12 of the preceding year's printed statement is 692 7 3
as the figure in column 12 of the preceding year's Statement IV *Deduct* 20 0 0
was incorrect.
Total 672 7 3

The amount of arrears on account of Kuarpur as per Mohanir's account comes to Rs. 87-11-8 and not Rs. 77-11-8 as shown in the last year's statement.
(n) *Added* Rs. 35-5-7 to the sum of Rs. 548-12-9 (total of columns 9, 11 and 12 of the last year's printed statement), as the arrears shown last year were less by that sum.
(o) Includes Re. 1 on account of excess collections for the coming year.
(p) Excludes Rs. 1 do. do.
(q) This does not agree with the balance shown in the last year's statement inasmuch as Rs. 24, recovered from the tenants last year, were credited against Sir land rents.
(r) *Added* Rs. 7 to the total of columns 9, 11 and 12 of the previous year's printed statement IV, according to the Mohanir's account.
(s) Annas 4 realized in excess of the demand.
(t) Excluding annas 1 realize 4 in excess.
(u) *Added* Rs. 800-3-3 (total of columns 9, 11 and 12 of the preceding year's Statement IV), as it was wrongly shown in the last year's statement as Rs. 99-9-1, instead of Rs. 99-9-4 against the village of Dhondi, and *wil* instead of Rs. 8 against Piparia.
(v) The difference of Rs. 200 between the total of columns 9, 11 and 12 of the last year's printed statement and column 3 of Statement IV for 1892-93, is due to an item of Rs. 200 having been struck off during the year 1892-93, on account of arrears of pattah rents, due by the proprietor of the estate, for land in the village of Khamaria, held on tenantry rights by the grandmother of the ward. This land was given to the ward, and his family for maintenance on the condition that they were to pay the rent thereof. They, however, made default, and the land was taken from them and given to another sub-tenant, arrears due by them being struck off.
(w) The arrears were by mistake shown less by Re. 12 in last year.
(x) The figures given in column 3 of Statement IV do not agree with the total of columns 9, 11 and 12 of last year's printed statement. The difference is as follows:—

		Re. a. p.
(y) Rents ...		434 11 6
Sir ...		32 0 0
		466 11 6

		Increase. Re. a. p.	Decrease. Rs. a. p.
1. Maina Piparia ...		3 0 0	...
2. Kanhiwara ...		15 0 0	...
3. Sejwara ...		3 8 0	...
4. Narela ...		...	63 0 0

The discrepancies are attributed to the fact that the late Manager struck wrong balances against some ryots and omitted to show certain arrears due.
As for the decrease of Rs. 63 against the Narela Estate, a fictitious tenant at this rent was entered by the proprietors of the estate in the Rent-roll for 1891-92, and name and amount have had to be struck off.

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Name of District.	Name of Estate.	Demand.			Collection.			Balance.			
		Current.	Arrears.	Total.	On account of current demand.	On account of arrears.	Total.	On account of current demand.	On account of arrears.		
									Irrecoverable and written off.	Doubtful.	Recoverable.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
		Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.
Narsinghpur	Imjhira ..	16,365 4 4	19 0 11	16,384 5 3	16,365 4 4	11 8 4	16,376 12 8	..	7 8 7	...	...
	Narsinghpur ...	25,170 12 9	1,710 14 5	26,881 11 2	24,882 2 1	1,425 3 5	26,307 5 6	288 10 8	144 14 11	...	140 12 1
	Bahrora ...	1,369 8 9	5 0 0	1,374 8 9	1,329 0 6	...	1,329 0 6	40 8 3	5 0 0	...	...
	Deonagar ...	3,212 10 9	32 1 6	3,244 12 3	2,897 0 3	13 0 0	2,910 0 3	315 10 6	..	...	19 1 6
	Chawarpatha ...	14,282 13 8	2,311 14 7	16,594 12 3	13,504 11 8	1,905 1 3	15,409 12 11	778 2 0	108 6 7	...	298 6 9
	Amehta ...	921 9 0	...	921 9 0	921 9 0	...	921 9 0	...	...	...	...
	Bilthari ...	589 12 5	90 14 1	680 10 6	570 3 1	69 4 5	639 7 6	19 9 4	11 5 9	...	10 3 11
	Kowria (Nerbudda).	927 14 8	185 2 3	1,113 0 11	903 12 8	160 8 0	1,064 4 8	24 2 0	12 10 7	...	11 15 8
	Sanikhera ..	2,898 9 4	152 10 5	3,051 3 9	2,766 13 5	60 8 0	2,827 5 5	131 11 11	27 8 2	..	64 10 3
	Ramkhiria ...	1,201 5 9	...	1,201 5 9	1,201 5 9	...	1,201 5 9	...	..	...	...
	Baroda ...	276 8 0	...	276 8 0	276 8 0	...	276 8 0	..	..	...	...
	Chirchitta ...	605 11 3	5 0 0	610 11 3	583 11 3	...	583 11 3	22 0 0	5 0 0	...	...
	Umaria ...	9,576 15 5	(x) 268 13 11	9,845 13 4	9,536 9 2	91 10 2	9,628 3 4	40 6 3	61 5 0	...	115 14 9
	Bakori ...	439 4 3	16 0 0	455 4 3	439 4 3	...	439 4 3	...	...	...	16 0 0
	Singhpur ...	7,129 7 8	331 12 6	7,461 4 2	7,034 13 11	176 12 0	7,211 9 11	94 9 9	139 2 6	...	15 14 0
	Bamhori ...	4,827 2 7	238 13 9	5,066 0 4	4,806 15 1	135 10 3	4,942 9 4	20 3 6	103 3 6	...	...
	Surra ...	715 7 6	40 7 0	755 14 6	632 13 0	2 6 0	635 3 0	82 10 6	38 1 0	...	...
	Bhugwara ...	1,512 12 7	1 8 3	1,514 4 10	1,512 12 7	1 8 3	1,514 4 10	...	...	...	...
	Hatnapur ...	1,044 12 4	58 8 0	1,103 4 4	991 1 8	31 12 6	1,022 14 4	53 10 8	11 12 1	...	14 15 3
	Bagaspur ...	1,503 14 0	...	1,503 14 0	1,459 6 0	...	1,459 6 0	44 8 0	...	...	...
	Amgaon ..	3,900 1 8	65 12 5	3,965 14 1	3,836 8 7	14 15 8	3,851 8 3	63 9 1	50 12 9	...	...
	Total ...	98,472 6 8	5,534 6 0	1,04,006 12 8	96,452 6 3	4,099 12 5	1,00,552 2 8	2,020 0 5	726 11 5	...	707 14 3

(x) A holding which was last year entered as "Sir" has become an ordinary holding. There was an arrear of 2 annas in that holding, which has been added to the last year's arrears, and hence the difference of 2 annas between the total of columns 9, 11 and 12 of Statement IV for 1891-92, and column 3 of Statement IV for 1892-93.

Hoshangabad.	Babai ...	19,511 11 8	3,967 1 0	23,478 12 8	(1) 19,007 15 3	1,146 11 1	(1) 20,154 10 4	(2)505 4 5	934 6 0	331 12 0	1,554 3 11
	Maihanwara ..	788 0 0	483 7 3	1,271 7 3	762 12 0	123 3 0	885 15 0	25 4 0	113 2 0	...	248 2 3
	Guraria ..	3,387 2 8	491 9 3	3,878 11 11	3,171 15 9	162 7 3	3,334 7 0	215 2 11	164 0 0	...	165 2 0
	Nipania ..	20,257 0 6	3,862 12 9	24,119 13 3	18,755 10 11	1 876 4 10	(3) 20,631 15 9	(4)1,501 5 7	395 6 0	499 10 5	1,091 7 6
	Fattehpur ...	48,708 11 6	8,214 15 3	56,923 10 9	45,056 4 1	3,991 11 7	49,047 15 8	3,652 7 5	169 14 11	217 4 6	3,836 0 3
	Ganera ..	10,092 1 11	(5) 1,894 10 11	11,986 12 10	9,134 0 10	580 1 6	9,714 2 4	(6) 958 1 1	717 7 10	108 12 0	488 5 7
	Behrakheri ..	14,431 6 6	4,913 6 3	19,344 12 9	13,237 10 9	1,304 6 4	14,542 1 1	1.193 11 9	903 10 1	...	2,705 5 10
	Issurpur ...	5,283 0 2	1,786 10 10	7,069 11 0	(7) 4,326 4 8	730 14 6	5,057 3 2	(8)957 11 6	398 8 0	22 8 0	634 12 4
	Sobhapur ..	43,128 9 5	1,054 15 0	44,183 8 5	(9) 42,540 6 7	237 7 7	42,777 14 2	(10) 754 8 6	315 1 7	...	502 5 10
	Total ..	1,65,587 12 4	26,669 8 6	1,92,257 4 10	1,55,993 0 10	10,153 3 8	1,66,146 4 6	9,763 9 2	4,110 8 5	1,179 14 11	11,225 13 6
Nimar ...	Mandhatta ..	2,192 9 4	155 7 6	2 348 0 10	2,069 12 7	27 4 0	2,097 0 7	122 12 9	...	127 3 6	1 0 0
	Dertalai ..	1,394 4 0	306 0 0	1,700 4 0	940 2 0	8 0 0	948 2 0	454 2 0	2 8 0	37 0 0	258 8 0
	Total ..	3,586 13 4	461 7 6	4,048 4 10	3,009 14 7	35 4 0	3,045 2 7	576 14 9	2 8 0	164 3 6	259 8 0
Betul ...	Kolgaon ..	1,063 8 6	71 3 10	1,134 12 4	973 1 7	23 9 5	996 11 0	90 6 11	...	35 0 0	12 10 5
	Kheri ..	691 7 6	15 0 6	706 8 0	659 7 6	5 8 0	664 15 6	32 0 0	6 0 6	...	3 8 0
	Sanikhera ..	2,815 15 7	388 2 0	3,154 1 7	2,460 2 6	209 11 9	2,669 14 3	355 13 1	...	...	128 6 3
	Kesia ..	3,251 2 8	50 0 0	3,301 2 8	(11) 3,193 1 6	22 0 0	(11) 3,220 1 6	(12) 54 9 3	...	20 0 0	8 0 0
	Masode ..	2,882 3 0	109 4 6	2,991 7 6	2,601 12 9	76 2 11	2,677 15 8	280 6 3	12 0 0	...	21 1 7
	Baghora ..	1,792 7 8	234 9 5	2,027 1 1	1,746 7 2	57 1 9	1,803 8 11	46 0 6	77 12 0	85 0 1	14 11 7
	Ubaria ..	587 15 0	...	587 15 0	587 15 0	...	587 15 0	...	...	...	...
	Total ..	13,084 11 11	818 4 3	13,903 0 2	12,227 0 0	394 1 10	12,621 1 10	859 4 0	95 12 6	140 0 1	188 5 10

(1).—Includes Rs. 1-8-0 on account of surplus collections.
(2).—Excluding Rs 1-8-0 do. do.
(3).—A decree for Rs. 35 having obtained this sum has been nominally shown in collection.
(4).—Rs. 68-3-7 written off by the Settlement Officer as a part of the Settlement operation, when reducing the rents paid by ordinary tenants.
(5).—Rs 3-14-4 were omitted last year, and hence included.
(6).—Rs. 31 have been written off.
(7).—Including Re 1 recovered in excess.
(8).—Excluding Re. 1 do.
(9).—Including Rs. 166-5-8 do.
(10).—Excluding Rs. 166-5 8 do.
(11).—Includes Rs 1-8-1 on account of surplus collections.
(12).—Excluding Rs. 1-8-1 do. do.

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Name of District.	Name of Estate.	Demand.			Collection.			Balance.			
		Current.	Arrears.	Total.	On account of current demand.	On account of arrears.	Total.	On account of current demand.	On account of arrears.		
									Irrecoverable and written off.	Doubtful.	Recoverable.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
		Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.
Chhindwara.	Pagara ...	7,113 12 0	(13) 1,872 2 0	8,985 14 0	5,561 2 0	1,321 14 6	(14) 6,883 0 6	1,552 10 0	312 15 6	1.0 12 0	76 8 0
	Dhoda Borgaon ...	414 0 0	52 3 6	466 3 6	428 0 0	32 5 0	460 5 0	16 0 0	...	...	19 14 6
	Chowkda Dhana ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	Dhusawani ...	515 4 0	121 12 0	667 0 0	297 0 7	109 12 0	406 12 7	218 3 5	...	12 0 0	...
	Chiriwani ..	179 8 0	...	179 8 0	179 8 0	...	179 8 0	...	...	...	...
	Total ...	8,282 8 0	2,046 1 0	10,328 9 6	6,465 10 7	1,463 15 6	7,929 10 1	1,816 13 5	312 15 0	172 12 0	96 6 6
	TOTAL, NERBUDDA DIVISION ..	2,89,014 4 3	35,529 11 9	3,24,544 0 0	2,74,148 0 3	16,146 5 5	2,90,294 5 8	15,036 9 9	5,248 7 10	1,656 14 6	12,478 0 0
Wardha ...	Moe ...	4,194 4 7	1,914 3 6	6,108 8 1	3 774 .8 4	1,235 5 3	(15) 5,009 13 7	419 12 3	...	47 2 6	631 11 9
	Hingni ..	4,020 0 4	(16) 1,304 11 11	6,221 12 3	4 497 10 6	1,030 7 6	(17) 5,537 2 0	422 5 10	...	7 0 0	258 4 5
	Chandewani ...	1,310 0 3	0 0 3	1,310 0 6	(18) 1,310 8 6	0 0 3	(19) 1,310 8 9	..	...	...	...
	Total ...	10,424 5 2	3,218 15 8	13,643 4 10	9 582 10 10	2,274 13 0	11 857 7 10	842 2 1	...	54 2 6	890 0 2

(13). Added Rs. 16 to the sum of Rs. 1,856 10-0 (total of columns 9, 11 and 12 of the last year's printed Statement IV, *minus* Re. 0-8-0—*vide* footnote (a) to column 9) on account of "Sir".

(14). Rent ,, 6,835 0 6
Sir ,, 48 0 0
Total ... 6 883 0 6

(15).—Rents 1,952 2 7
Sir 3,057 11 0
Total ... 5,009 13 7

(16).—The sum of Rs 7, shown as irrecoverable against Hingni Estate in column 10 of the previous year's printed Statement IV, was not written off the accounts, as the Commissioner's sanction was not obtained. The amount was, therefore, included in column 3 of Statement IV for 1893.

(17).—Rents 2,408 0 9
Sir 2,129 1 3
Total .. 5,537 2 0

(18).—Re. 0 7-9 were collected in excess.

(19).—Rents 1,107 0 3
Sir 203 8 0
Total ... 1,310 8 3

Nagpur	Chachur ...	14,808 2 7	2,547 9 2	17,355 11 9	13,360 11 3	2,013 13 10	15,374 9 1	1,447 7 4	38 1 6	...	495 9 10
	Bhonsla ...	1,71,045 7 9	28,279 1 7	2 03 224 9 4	1,57,666 5 9	17,705 14 6	1,75 372 4 8	17,279 2 (	652 1 :	1,700 11 10	8,220 5 10
	Sausthanik ...	59,583 2 11	5,032 5 7	64,618 8 6	51,912 12 4	2,247 6 (	58 160 2	4,673 6 7	35 0 .	122 14 4	1,27 1 0
	Bori ...	3,195 9 10	514 2 3	3,709 12 1	2,616 9 10	389 2 9	3,005 12 7	579 0 (	...	...	124 15 6
	Pandurang Rao Gujar ..	4 543 13 0	(20) 915 8 3	5,459 5 3	3 719 9 (	466 12 (	4,216 6 (	794 3 (	...	102 3 3	346 8 6
	Krishna Rao Gujar..	14,385 7 1	2,680 3 6	17,065 10 7	11,733 15 8	1,824 6 .	13,558 5 1.	2 671 7 [	399 4 (	253 15 (	202 9 9
	Yadeo Rao Jamidar.	3,728 6 4	1,078 13 9	4,807 4 1	3,166 7 11	713 8 (	3 880 0 4	561 14	...	159 7 11	205 13 4
	Laxmi Bai Naikin ...	8,134 14 4	1,710 0 10	9,844 15 2	6879 0 1	652 3 0	7 531 3 1	1,255 14 :	6 0 (	218 2 1	853 11 9
	Total ..	2,83,327 15 1	42,757 12 11	3,26,085 12 8	2 54 085 8 4	27,013 3 (	2,-1,0.8 11 0	29,242 7 (	1 150 7 (	2 557 6 [	12,056 11 6
Bhandara	Darekasa ...	723 0 0	...	723 0 0	711 0 0	...	711 0 (	12 0 (	...	...	..
	Kamtha ..	73,974 10 (	4,912 9 3	78,887 3 9	(21) 66,751 12 9	2,878 9 3	(21) 69,630 6 (	(22) 7,128 13 9	75 0 '	..	1.959 0 0
	Salekasa ..	465 8 0	8 0 0	473 8 0	465 8 (	8 0 0	473 8 (	...	..	...	. .
	Palkhera ...	3,849 4 (	115 2 0	3,964 6 0	3,7 9 12 (	4 12 (	3.764 8 (	89 8 (	.	...	110 6 0
	Raka ...	700 3 (	...	700 3 0	694 11 (	...	694 11 (	5 8 (	...	...	..
	Total ..	79,712 9 0	5,035 1F 3	84,748 4 9	72,182 11 '	2,891 5 3	75,074 1 (	7,535 13 9	75 0 (	.	2,069 6 0
Balaghat	Nansari ..	1,877 13 9	63 11 4	1,940 9 1	1,873 1 9	38 0 6	1,911 2 .	4 12 (	...	...	24 10 10
	Bargaon ..	1,024 2 0	...	1,024 2 0	1,016 2 0	. .	1 016 2 (	8 0 (	...	...	...
	Khursori ..	766 7 6	12 5 6	778 13 0	742 12 6	5 10 (	748 6 (	23 11 '	...	...	6 11 6
	Linga ...	2,408 12 8	22 14 5	2,431 10 8	(23) 2,283 13 3	11 0 (	(23) 2,294 13 :	24) 128 13 (	...	11 14 5	...
	Kinhi I ..	1,240 5 4	...	1,240 5 4	1,199 15 4	...	1 199 15 4	40 6 (	...	...	...
	Do. II ..	1,311 6 9	62 9 0	1,373 15 9	1,165 3 (	38 9 0	1,203 12 (	146 3 :	...	24 0 0	...
	Total ...	8,628 15 7	160 8 3	8,789 7 10	8,281 0 4	93 3 (	8,374 3 10	351 13 8	...	35 14 5	31 6 4
	TOTAL, NAGPUR DIVISION ..	3,82,093 14 1	51,173 0 1	4,33,266 14 2	3,41 171 15 3	32,272 0 3	3,76,401 8 (	(25) 37,972 4 7	1,205 7 (	2,647 7 4	15 047 8 0

(20). Pandurang Rao Gujar has some Malik-makbuza land in Mauzah Sangi belonging to the Bhonsla Estate. The income from this land used to be treated as a miscellaneous receipt and classified as such till the year 1891-92 inclusive: hence its omission from Statement IV for that year. This classification was, however, erroneous, and was rectified in submitting the statements for 1892-93.
The sum of Rs. 312-9-9 was due to the estate from the lessee of the aforesaid Malik-makbuza land on 30th September 1892, and was therefore entered in column 4 (arrears) of Statement IV for 1892-93.

(21). Includes Rs. 6 on account of excess collections made during the year, viz. 69,424 6 0
Add 6 0 0 excess collections.
Total ... 69,430 6 0

(22). Excluding Rs. 6 on account of excess collections.
(23). Includes Rs. 3 14 0 do. do.
(24). Excludes Rs 3 14 0 do. do.
(25). Differs by Re 0 7 9 (*vide* note against Chandewani in the Wardha District).

STATEMENT IV.—*Showing efficiency of Rent Collection of the Estates under Government management in the Central Provinces, during the year ending the 30th September* 1893.—(Concld.)

Name of District.	Name of Estate.	Demand.			Collection.			Balance.			
		Current.	Arrears.	Total.	On account of current demand.	On account of arrears.	Total.	On account of current demand.	On account of arrears.		
									Irrecoverable and written off.	Doubtful.	Recoverable.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
		Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.
Raipur	Mohrenga ...	797 11 0	5 5 0	803 0 0	796 14 6	5 5 0	802 3 6	0 12 6	...	...	...
	Bindra Nawagarh ...	14,300 5 6	...	14,300 5 6	(26) 14,313 5 6	..	(26) 14,313 5 6	...	...	...	...
	Bathena ...	1,285 13 0	23 14 0	1,309 11 0	1,266 9 0	23 14 0	1,290 7 0	19 4 0	...	...	...
	Bahera ...	1,845 0 0	31 10 6	1,876 10 6	1,331 7 9	31 10 6	1,363 2 3	513 8 3	...	...	...
	Parsada ...	655 8 6	...	655 8 6	630 4 6	...	630 4 6	25 4 0	...	...	...
	Patan ...	2,366 14 2	59 0 0	2,425 14 2	27) 2,311 6 0	...	27) 2 311 6 0	55 8 2	59 0 0	...	...
	Gundai ..	15,023 3 0	(28) ...	15,023 3 0	15,023 3 0	...	15,023 3 0	...	...	...	..
	Kowdia ...	6,798 0 9	10 0 0	6,808 0 9	(29) 6,970 4 0	10 0 0	(29) 6,980 4 0	...	...	...	...
	Wararbandh ...	3,462 0 6	...	3,462 0 6	3,438 0 6	...	3,438 0 6	24 0 0	...	...	...
	Darchura ...	1,981 11 6	...	1,981 11 6	1,964 15 0	...	1,964 15 0	16 12 6	...	...	...
	Tarpongi ...	2,040 13 9	...	2,040 13 9	2,040 5 0	...	2,040 5 0	0 8 9	...	...	...
	Peela ...	1,579 6 9	231 5 0	1,810 11 9	1,481 8 6	40 0 0	1,521 8 6	97 14 3	161 11 9	...	29 9 3
	Total ...	52,136 8 5	361 2 6	52,497 10 11	51,568 3 3	110 13 6	51,679 0 9	753 8 5	220 11 9	..	29 9 3
Bilaspur	Bilaigarh cum Katangi ...	9,545 14 0	5 0 0	9,550 14 0	9,365 14 0	..	9,365 14 0	180 0 0	5 0 0	...	..
	Kanteli ...	9,219 12 3	162 6 10	9,382 3 1	9,066 12 1	150 0 0	9,216 12 1	153 0 2	...	...	12 6 10
	Pendra ..	9,045 9 3	(30) 18 15 6	9,064 8 9	9,023 1 6	...	9,023 1 6	22 7 9	...	...	18 15 6
	Pandaria ...	63,472 13 9	..	63,472 13 9	63,472 13 9	...	63,472 13 9	...	...	...	...
	Total ...	91,284 1 3	186 6 4	91,470 7 7	90,928 9 4	150 0 0	91,078 9 4	355 7 11	5 0 0	...	31 6 4

Sambalpur ...	Ghess ...	2,597 10 9	15 8 0	2,613 2 9	2,565 2 9	15 8 0	2,580 10 9	(31) 32 8 0	...	...	...
	Borasambar ..	15,484 11 9	(32) 33 0 4	15,517 12 1	15,484 11 9	33 0 4	15,517 12 1	...	...	...	...
	Phuljhar ...	16,533 14 4	...	16,536 14 4	16,536 14 4	...	16,536 14 4	...	...	...	...
	Rengali ...	304 0 0	...	304 0 0	304 0 0	...	304 0 0	...	...	...	...
	Karandola ...	587 13 0	36 15 7	624 12 7	524 1 5	...	524 1 5	63 11 7	...	...	36 15 7
	Total ...	35 511 1 10	85 7 11	35,596 9 9	35,414 14 3	48 8 4	35,463 6 7	96 3 7	...	...	36 15 7
	TOTAL. CHHATTISGARH DIVISION ...	1,78,931 11 6	633 0 9	1,79,564 12 3	1,77,911 10 10	309 5 10	1,78,221 0 8	1,205 3 11	225 11 9	...	97 15 2
	GRAND TOTAL ...	10,40,610 6 4	1,03,711 2 10	11,44,321 9 2	9,69,939 11 4	57,654 1 3	10,27,593 12 7	71,057 4 9	8,472 9 10	6,089 0 7	31,495 11 2

(26). Includes Rs. 13 on account of surplus collections made during the year.

(27). Rs. 1,776 10 0 were paid in the Sadar Treasury (See Statement II, column 4) and the balance Rs. 534 12 0 was directly paid at Bilaspur by the Moharir of the Neosa village

2,311 6 0

(28). The sum of Rs. 1-9-6, shown in column 9 of the previous year's statement, was written off during the year 1891-92 · hence the column 3 is blank.

(29). (1). Surplus collections made during the year under report Rs. 166 3 3
(2). Miscellaneous Land Revenue. „ 6 0 0
Total ... 172 3 3

(30). Are the arrears of the preceding year. They were not shown in the Statement No. IV., as the villages to which they related were treated as Mauli; but they were ordered to be realised last year, and hence entered in column 4.

(31). Of this sum Rs. 8-0-0 have since been recovered.

(32). The difference of Rs. 13-6 4, with the total of columns 9, 11 and 12 of the last year's printed Statement IV., is due to the fact that in Statement IV. for the preceding year, only the rent on Rayoti land was shown, while in that for the year under report the rent and Chogra Malikana have both been shown together.

STATEMENT V.—*Showing proceedings taken for Enhancement of Rent and Ejectment of Tenants in certain of the Estates under Government management in the Central Provinces, during the year ending the 30th September 1893.*

Name of District.	Name of Estate.	Applications for Enhancement under Section 12, 14, 15, and 40 of C. P. Tenancy Act.			Applications for Enhancement under Section 40 of C. P. Tenancy Act.			Notices of Enhancement under Section 50.				Suit for Arrears of Rent.			Number of Tenures that have lapsed during the year.		Number of occupancy rights purchased under Section 60 of Central Provinces Tenancy Act.	Number of Tenants with aggregate area of their holdings where grain-rents have been commuted into money-rents.		Number of Tenants with aggregate area of their holdings remaining under the grain-rent system.	
								No. contested.												
		Number successful.	Number partially successful.	Number unsuccessful.	Number successful.	Number partially successful.	Number unsuccessful.	Number served.	Upheld by Civil Courts. Enhancement.	Upheld by Civil Courts. Ejectment.	Quashed by Civil Courts.	Number successful.	Number partially successful.	Number unsuccessful.	Absolute occupancy.	Occupancy.			No. of tenants.	Area.	No. of tenants.	Area.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19			20	
Saugor ...	Dhana ..	..	..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	4	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	Total ..	..	..	..	...	.	...	...	...	.	..	4	..	..	...	...	.	...	...	..	...	
Damoh ..	Tejgarh ..	...	...	...	...	..	...	...	...	..	..	1	..	...	...	...	...	.	...	...	..	
	Total ..	.	...	..	..	...	...	...	..	..	..	1	...	...	..	..	..	.	...	...	..	
Jubbulpore ...	Bulbagarh ..	..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	..	2	..	...	.	...	...	...	...	...	...	
	Khetota ..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	13	.	.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
	Pounda ..	...	...	..	...	...	...	...	...	...	..	..	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	..	...	
	Bandha ..	...	...	...	...	..	...	...	...	...	...	8	..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
	Mudia ..	...	...	...	...	..	..	...	..	..	..	2	..	1	.	...	...	..	...	..	..	
	Total ..	..	...	..	...	...	..	...	..	...	...	25	1	1	...	...	...	..	...	...	...	
Seoni ...	Sejwara ..	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	..	.	.	..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
	Narela ..	.	...	..	...	..	..	.	..	.	.	...	.	...	...	1	...	...	...	..	...	
	Total ..	..	...	...	...	.	..	2	..	.	...	...		...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	
	TOTAL JUBBULPORE DN. ..	...	...	...	...	.	...	2	..	..	...	30	2	1	...	1	..	...	..	..	...	
Narsinghpur.	Injhiria ...	.	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	..	...	...	...	...	
	Narsinghpur ..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	..	...	...	59	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
	Bahrora ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	4	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
	Deonagar ..	...	...	...	...	...	...	.	...	.	...	10	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
	Chawarpatha ..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	26	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
	Ambeta ..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
	Bilthari ..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	10	...	...	...	...	..	...	...	...	...	
	Kowria ..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	14	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
	Sankhera ..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	12	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	
	Ramkhiria ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
	Chirchitta ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	..	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	

	Umaria	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	4	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	Singhpur	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	7	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	Bamohri	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	Surra	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	Bhugwara	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	Hatnapur	..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	4	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	Bagaspur	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	Total	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	161	...	...	...	3	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	Babai	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	6	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	Malhanwara	..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	...	...	...	..	...	...	...	...	...	...
	Nipania	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	..	..	...	...	...	...	..	142	3,930·72		
Hoshangabad	Fattehpur	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	37	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	Ganera	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	4	1	...	...	...	...	5	93·27	4	99·97		
	Bebrakheri	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	..	3	...	...	...	...	...	67	1,689·62	7	299·85		
	Issurpur	...	...	...	..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	3	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	Total	...	...	...	...	...	..	...	...	..	...	...	...	56	1	...	1	...	...	72	1,782·89	153	4,308·54		
	TOTAL, NERBUDDA DIVISION		...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	217	1	...	1	3	...	72	1,782·89	153	4,308·54		
Wardha	Moe	...	...	...	..	...	...	..	..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	18	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	Hingni	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	50	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	Chandewani	...	...	...	...	...	..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	43	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	Total	..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	111	..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Nagpur	Bhonsla	..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	173	4	..	...	...	28	...	...	...	...	...	...
	Total		...	.	...	...	...	...	...	..	...	...	...	173	4	...	...	...	28	...	...	...	...	...	...
Balaghat	Nansari	..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	6	35·79		
	Linga	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	5	5	...	...	...	...	..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	Total	..	...	...	...	...	...	...	5	5	..	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	6	35·79		
	TOTAL, NAGPUR DIVISION		...	...	...	...	...	...	5	5	...	...	...	174	4	...	111	...	28	...	...	6	35·79		
Raipur	Mohrenga	..	...	...	...	...	...	...	(a) 1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	Tarpongi	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	Total	..	...	..	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	..	...		
	TOTAL, CHHATTISGARH DN.		...	.	...	...	...	..	1	..	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	GRAND TOTAL	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	8	5	...	..	...	422	6	1	112	4	28	72	1,782·89	159	4,344·33		

(a) This case is still pending in Civil Court.

STATEMENT VI.—*Showing progress made in liquidating debt in certain of the estates under Government management, during the year ending the 30th September* 1893.

Name of District.	Name of Estate.	Date of assuming management.	Debts due when management assumed.	Incurred since management assumed.	Total.	Paid off (exclusive of interest) from date when management assumed to commencement of period under report.	Paid off during year under report.	Total.	Balance still due at close of year.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
			Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.
Saugor ...	Tajpur ...	23rd August 1879 ...	9,750 0 0	...	9,750 0 0	4,153 5 9	133 3 6	4,286 9 3	5,463 6 9
	Etawa ...	1st January 1880 ...	38,121 10 0	27,388 6 0	65,510 0 0	48,522 5 6	6,200 6 0	54,722 11 6	10,787 4 6
		Total ...	47,871 10 0	27,388 6 0	75,260 0 0	52,675 11 3	6,333 9 6	59,009 4 9	16,250 11 3
Damoh ...	Singrampur ...	20th January 1880 ...	6,448 0 0	...	6,448 0 0	3,655 6 5	69 8 0	3,724 14 5	2,723 1 7
	Khari Deori ...	1st October 1885 ...	8,000 0 0	...	8,000 0 0	4,809 1 0	1,269 1 9	6.078 2 9	1,921 13 3
	Hindoria ...	21st July 1887 ...	2,591 13 9	...	2,591 13 9	2,448 2 9	...	2,448 2 9	143 11 0
	Gobra ...	1st October 1889 ...	9,500 0 0	100 0 0	9,600 0 0	2,598 1 3	738 12 6	3,336 13 9	6,263 2 3
	Konda Kalan ...	17th November 1890 ...	(*a*) 9,723 11 2	9,000 0 0	18,723 11 2	9,187 11 2	36 0 0	9,223 11 2	9,500 0 0
	Hatri ...	28th October 1891 ...	34,389 12 6	35,000 0 0	69,389 12 6	36,961 12 6	(*b*) 3,028 14 0	39,990 10 6	29,399 2 0
		Total ...	70,653 5 5	44,100 0 0	1,14,753 5 5	59,680 3 1	5,142 4 3	64,802 7 4	49,950 14 1
Jubbulpore ...	Budhagarh ...	1st December 1875 ...	1,31,661 13 8	1,10,964 8 10	2,42,626 6 6	(*c*) 2,09,875 3 6	10,179 10 0	220,054 13 6	22,571 9 0
	Bujarangarh ...	1st January 1876 ...	52,588 7 9	48,370 7 6	1,00,958 15 3	(*d*) 78,338 7 9	1,169 0 0	79,507 7 9	21,451 7 6
	Pounda ...	29th May 1882 ...	64,071 13 6	51,492 15 2	1,15,564 12 8	1,10,064 12 8	5,500 0 0	115,564 12 5	...
	Bhatgowan ...	1st December 1887 ...	4,006 1 6	4,214 4 0	8,220 5 6	5,720 5 6	156 4 0	5,876 9 6	2,343 12 0
	Bandha ...	1st October 1887 ...	23,754 9 10	25,771 0 11	49,525 10 9	28,632 12 0	270 12 9	28,903 8 9	20,622 2 0
	Ganjari ...	1st January 1888 ...	2,709 7 9	...	2,709 7 9	829 14 6	(*e*) 1,879 9 3	2.709 7 9	...
	Nimi Bhidari ...	1st April 1889 ...	5,643 6 0	5,100 0 0	10,743 6 0	5,787 1 0	...	5,787 1 0	4,956 5 0
	Mudia ...	10th June 1890 ...	4,606 7 7	5,000 0 0	9,606 7 7	(*f*) 8,437 6 7	529 13 9	8.967 4 4	639 3 3
	Mohania ...	15th January 1890 ...	91,024 11 9	321 5 6	91,346 1 3	(*g*) 36,519 8 3	3,3.397 15 3	69,917 7 6	21,428 9 9
		Total ...	8,60,066 15 4	2,51,234 9 11	6,31,301 9 3	4,84,205 7 9	53,083 1 0	5,37,288 8 9	94,013 0 6

Seoni ...	Lakhnadon	28th May 1881 ...	24,700 0 0	254 12 0	24,954 12 0	11,663 11 0	1,202 8 6	12,866 3 6	12,088 8 6
	Maina Piparia	5th August 1886 ...	8,500 0 0	...	8,500 0 0	2,953 13 3	5,447 2 9	8,500 0 0	...
	Jhamar	20th June 1890 ..	443 1 8	525 15 3	969 0 11	529 0 11	276 3 10	805 4 9	163 12 2
	Sejwara	1st May 1891 ...	10,000 0 0	9,962 13 4	19,962 13 4	11,235 8 1	232 12 6	11,468 4 7	8,494 8 9
	Narela	23rd „ ...	21,000 0 0	20,432 15 0	41,432 15 0	21,332 7 9	167 11 6	21,500 3 3	19,932 11 9
		Total ...	64,643 1 8	31,176 7 7	95,819 9 3	47,713 9 0	7,426 7 1	55,140 0 1	40,679 9 2
		TOTAL, JUBBULPORE DIVISION ...	5,53,235 0 5	3,53,899 7 6	9,17,134 7 11	6,44,254 15 1	71,985 5 10	7,16,240 4 11	2,00,894 3 0
98 Narsinghpur ...	Narsinghpur	16th July 1879 ...	98,000 0 0	52,251 11 2	1,50,251 11 2	79,966 14 2	7,218 3 9	87,205 1 11	63,046 9 3
	Bahrora	14th October 1882 ...	8,856 9 9	7,876 12 0	16,733 5 9	9,434 7 0	244 14 0	9,679 5 0	7,054 0 9
	Deonagarh	„ „ ...	17,921 9 0	21,351 15 2	39,273 8 2	29,287 11 11	854 8 3	30,142 4 2	9,131 4 0
	Amehta	3rd April 1883 ...	3,154 8 0	3,400 0 0	6,554 8 0	5,917 10 6	271 12 6	6,189 7 0	365 1 0
	Bilthari	30th July 1883 ...	3,376 2 10	2,057 7 4	5433 10 2	4,712 11 5	254 0 7	4,966 12 0	466 14 2
	Kowria	„ „ ...	2,448 0 8	2,772 8 0	5,220 8 8	4,410 12 11	353 6 9	4,764 3 8	456 5 0
	Sanikhera	„ „ ...	13,823 8 9	10,977 6 6	24,800 15 3	20,077 6 9	1,033 6 9	21,110 13 6	3,690 1 9
	Chirchitta	1st September 1886 ...	4,472 10 9	4,169 12 9	8,642 7 6	6,129 13 6	97 1 11	6,226 15 5	2,415 8 1
	Umaria	9th June 1886 ..	27,000 0 0	1,5,801 10 6	42,810 10 6	38,251 11 3	(b) 1,418 1 3	39,669 12 6	3,131 14 0
	Bakori	1st November 1886 ..	3,545 15 0	2,801 15 11	6,347 14 11	3,420 6 2	111 4 0	3,531 10 2	2,816 4 9
	Singhpur	15t April 1887 ..	79,681 6 6	8,940 12 0	88,622 2 6	23,485 2 6	1,974 6 11	25,459 9 5	63,162 9 1
	Bamhori	4th April 1887 ...	26,210 8 9	2,554 1 9	28,764 10 6	2,255 1 3	1,172 12 6	3 427 13 9	25,336 12 9
	Surra	25th June 1887 ...	4,441 4 0	8,641 9 6	13,082 13 6	5,144 14 6	4,153 4 0	9,298 2 6	3,784 11 0
	Bhagwara	1st „ ...	800 0 0	1,560 0 0	2,360 0 0	1,840 0 0	520 0 0	2,360 0 0	...
	Hatnapur	15th April 1888 ..	4,562 3 0	11,468 14 3	16,031 1 3	9,531 9 3	...	9.531 9 3	6,499 8 0
	Bagaspur	1st January 1889 ...	9,802 12 0	7,000 0 0	16,802 12 0	11,976 11 9	611 11 0	12,588 6 9	4,213 5 3
	Amgaon	6th May 1891 ...	12,154 11 9	14,000 0 0	26,154 11 9	13,712 8 3	1,021 7 0	14,733 15 3	11,420 12 6
		Total ...	3,20,251 14 9	1,77,626 8 10	4,97,878 7 7	2,69,575 9 1	21,310 5 2	2,90,885 14 3	2,06,992 9 1

(a)—The Rs. 36 paid in repayment of debt (principal) was a small debt that had been included in the schedule of debts at the time the estate was taken over.
(b)—Out of this sum Rs. 19-11-6 were given up by the creditors, and this amount is included in this sum to tally with it.
(c)—Last year one anna paid towards principal was wrongly shewn under interest, hence the amount shewn in this statement has been increased.
(d)—Debts due by the estate were shewn at Rs 23,985-5-0 at the close of last year, but that sum included Rs. 1,334-13-6 in excess. Rs. 1,800 due to Hari Amrudh were cleared off entirely last year, but still a balance of Rs. 1,334-13-6 was shewn as due to him. When settling his claim last year Rs. 1,800 paid to him in 1889-90 were with his consent taken towards repayment of principal and the balance Rs. 200 and interest 500 up to date of repayment were paid to him last year he having waived his claim Rs. 54 on account of interest. Thus his account was finally settled last year and nothing was due to him. This matter was probably lost sight of last year, hence the difference.
(e)—Written off as being barred and unclaimed under Deputy Commissioner's order, dated 25th February 1893.
(f)—This included Rs. 3 wrongly omitted from the statement for 1890-91.
(g)—This excludes Rs. 3-3-9 as detailed below :—

Rs.	3	3 6 paid in excess to a creditor and taken back from him.
	0	0 3 Debt due to Chhunilall wrongly shewn at Rs. 158 2 0 instead of Rs. 158 2 3.
	3	3 9

(h)—Out of this debt Rs. 1,368-3-0 were paid to the creditor and Rs. 49-13-3 were written off as timebarred the creditor having not claimed it.

STATEMENT VI.—(Contd.)

Name of District.	Name of Estate.	Date of assuming management.	Debts due when management assumed.	Incurred since management assumed.	Total.	Paid of (exclusive of interest) from date when management assumed to commencement of period under report.	Paid off during year under report.	Total.	Balance still due at close of year.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
			Rs. a. p	Rs. a. p	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p	Rs. a. p	Rs. a. p.
Hoshangabad ...	Babai ...	22nd January 1877 ...	1,01,822 8 0	...	1,01,822 8 0	71,312 14 9	3,002 4 6	74,315 3 3	27,507 4 9
	Malhanwara ...	5th February 1879 ...	5,096 7 0	446 1 0	5,542 8 0	4,016 5 4	176 6 0	4,192 11 4	1,349 12 8
	Guraria ...	15th September 1882 ...	43,469 1 8	18,000 0 0	61,469 1 8	31,870 4 8	108 2 10	31,978 7 6	2,9490 10 2
	Nipania ...	15th September 1885 ...	1,80,629 11 1	1,03,413 14 8	2,84,043 9 9	2,29,125 12 7	10,376 0 3	2,39,501 12 10	44,541 12 11
	Ganera ...	5th September 1890 ...	82,374 5 10	76,700 0 0	1,59,074 5 10	82,918 12 7	1,266 9 0	84,185 5 7	74,889 0 3
	Behrakheri ...	16th February 1891 ...	1·19,294 14 10	1,22,988 7 0	2,42,283 5 10	1,19,268 10 10	...	1,19,268 10 10	1,23,014 11 0
	Issurpur ...	5th November 1890 ...	14,696 12 6	...	14,696 12 6	2,451 0 6	1,379 2 9	3,830 3 3	10,866 9 3
	Sobhapur ...	22nd November 1890 ...	54,825 0 9	57,000 0 0	1,11,825 0 9	73,101 7 6	7,674 5 3	80,775 12 9	31,049 4 0
		Total ...	6,02,209 13 8	3,78,548 6 8	9,80,757 4 4	6,14,065 4 9	23,982 14 7	6,38,048 3 4	3,42,709 1 0
Nimar ...	Dhertalai ...	1st April 1888 ...	11,778 14 0	12,000 0 0	23,778 14 0	12,845 2 6	803 4 3	13,648 6 9	10,130 7 3
Betul ...	Kheri ...	30th March 1889 ...	4,427 9 9	...	4,427 9 9	3,458 14 9	...	3,458 14 9	968 11 0
	Sainkhera ...	19th May 1889 ...	6,000 0 0	4,204 7 3	10 204 7 3	7,900 0 0	1,800 0 0	9,700 0 0	504 7 3
	Masode ...	2nd April 1889 ..	20,678 15 0	20,551 9 1	41,230 8 1	25,255 7 7	15,975 0 6	41,230 8 1	...
	Baghora ...	8th November 1889 ...	5,102 0 0	5,000 0 0	10,102 0 0	5,809 15 0	500 0 0	6,309 15 0	3,792 1 0
	Uharia ...	12th December 1891 ...	5,371 0 0	5,750 0 0	11,121 0 0	5,914 7 7	227 6 0	6,141 13 7	4,979 2 5
		Total ...	41,579 8 9	35 506 0 4	77,085 9 1	48,338 12 11	18,502 6 6	66,841 3 5	10,244 5 8
Chhindwara ...	Dhusawani ...	1st June 1886 ...	1,162 14 3	...	11,62 14 3	740 15 1	55 0 5	795 15 6	366 14 9
		TOTAL, NERBUDDA DIVISION ..	9,76,982 1 5	6,03,680 15 10	1,580,663 1 3	9,45,565 12 4	64,653 14 11	1,010,219 11 3	5,70,443 6 0

Wardha ...	Hingni ...	...	18th May 1886	...	14,559 8 7	13,000 0 0	27,559 8 7	25,517 12 7	777 8 0	26,295 4 7	1,264 4 0
Nagpur ...	Chachur ...	...	5th April 1881	...	60,900 0 0	1,37,603 8 6	1,97,603 8 6	1,26,913 0 1	6,619 14 0	1,33,532 14 1	64,070 10 5
	Pandurang Rao Gujar ...	...	23rd March 1887	...	13,797 3 0	13,000 0 0	26,797 3 0	19,694 3 6	1,197 14 0	20,892 1 6	5,905 1 6
	Krishna Rao Gujar ...	..	22nd August 1887	...	70,008 0 0	60,000 0 0	1,30,008 0 0	1,00,958 14 2	4,439 11 1	1,05,398 9 3	24,609 6 9
	Yadeo Rao Jamdar ...	...	22nd May 1890	...	29,291 6 0	31,942 12 0	61.234 2 0	29,769 13 9	873 7 3	30,643 5 0	30,590 13 0
				Total ...	1,73,096 9 0	2,42,546 4 6	4,15,642 13 6	2,77,335 15 6	13,130 14 4	2,90,466 13 10	1,25,175 15 8
Bhandara ...	Palkhera ...	..	9th January 1886	...	8,520 0 6	10,000 0 0	18,520 0 6	12,074 7 7	613 4 4	12,687 11 11	5,832 4 7
	Raka ...	..	12th October 1889	...	4,492 0 6	4,000 0 0	8,492 0 6	4,756 9 0	397 14 0	5,154 7 0	3,337 9 6
				Total ...	13,012 1 0	14,000 0 0	27,012 1 0	16.831 0 7	1,011 2 4	17,842 2 11	9,169 14 1
Balaghat ...	Khursori ...	...	23rd April 1889	...	4,250 0 0	...	4,250 0 0	739 5 0	251 0 3	990 5 3	3,259 10 9
	Khinhi I ...	...	28th March 1888	...	6,041 0 0	9,469 13 0	15,510 13 0	9,549 11 2	6,162 9 10	(*i*) 15,712 5 0	..
	Khinhi II ...	...	18th May 1889	...	16,645 14 8 (*j*) 22 15 9	4,922 9 5	21,591 7 10	17,874 4 4	1,007 11 0	18,381 15 4	3,209 8 6
					16.668 14 5						
				Total ...	26,959 14 5	14,392 6 5	41,352 4 10	27,663 4 6	7,421 5 1	35,084 9 7	(*k*) 6,469 3 3
			TOTAL NAGPUR DIVISION	...	2,27,628 1 0	2,83,938 10 11	5,11,566 11 11	3,47,343 1 2	22,340 13 9	3,69,683 14 11	1,42,079 5 0
Raipur ...	Mohrenga ...	...	21st August 1885	...	10,327 11 9	14,000 0 0	24,327 11 9	15,073 2 1	455 8 7	15,528 10 8	8,799 1 1
	Bathena ...	...	13th November 1885	...	7,911 0 0	12,900 0 0	20,811 0 9	14,514 14 0	445 11 4	14,960 9 4	5,850 6 8
	Parsada ...	...	23rd March 1886	...	1,870 9 3	3,000 0 0	4,870 9 3	3,606 2 5	114 2 2	3,720 4 7	1,150 4 8
	Patun ...	...	24th March 1887	...	3,685 0 0	11,250 0 0	14 935 0 0	10,135 0 0	201 9 8	10,336 9 8	4,598 6 4
	Gandia ...	...	13th May 1889	...	26,059 12 3	1,992 8 0	28,052 4 3	9,951 2 11	2,607 12 1	12,558 15 0	15,493 5 3
	Kowdia ...	...	25th July 1890	...	27,444 14 0	27,000 0 0	54,444 14 0	2,234 12 0	26,747 2 0	28,971 14 0	25,473 0 0
	Wararbandh ...	..	25th March 1891	...	46,494 0 0	500 0 0	46,994 0 0	579 10 0	...	579 10 0	46,414 6 0
	Darchura ...	...	16th October 1890	...	5,130 14 6	5 500 0 0	10,630 14 6	6,168 7 11	284 8 2	6,453 0 1	4,177 14 5
	Tarpongi ...	...	15th April 1892	...	4,762 0 0	4,800 0 0	9,562 0 0	4,762 0 0	349 6 6	5,111 6 6	4,450 9 6
	Tecla ...	...	13th July 1891	...	9,501 1 9	9,600 0 0	19,101 1 9	9,613 2 0	112 15 0	9,726 1 0	9,375 0 9
				Total ...	1,43,186 15 6	90.542 8 0	233729 7 6	76,628 5 4	31,318 11 6	1,07,947 0 10	1,25,782 6 8

(*i*)—Details of debt paid off in excess of debt :—

1	Balance of debt due to Ramsingh on a foreclosure	...	1 8 0
2	Do. due to the Patel of Akola by setting off towards recovery of Land revenue from Udesingh	...	200 0 0
		Total ...	201 8 0

(*i*)—Debt due to Wasudeo Rao on the bond, dated 1st October 1888, was estimated at Rs. 522, and the same amount was included in the Item shewn against heading 1 of previous year's statement, but Rs. 543-8-6 were paid to the creditor during the year under report ; hence the excess amount paid has been added to the 1st column totally the balance of debt due to Raja Gokuldas.

(*k*)—Excluding Rs. 201-8-0 as shewn against foot-note "1"

STATEMENT VI.—(Concld.)

Name of District.	Name of Estate.	Date of assuming management.	Debts due when management assumed.	Incurred since management assumed.	Total.	Paid of (exclusive of interest) from date when management assumed to commencement of period under report.	Paid off during year under report	Total.	Balance still due at close of year.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
			Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.
Bilaspur ...	Bilaigarh *cum* Katangi	7th October 1879 ...	18,000 0 0	24,000 0 0	42,000 0 0	25,273 9 8	876 6 8	26,150 0 4	15,849 15 8
	Kanteli	11th August 1882 ...	32,000 0 0	...	32,000 0 0	19,930 5 7	1,000 0 0	20,930 5 7	11,069 10 5
		Total ...	50,000 0 0	24,000 0 0	74,000 0 0	45,203 15 3	1,876 6 8	47,080 5 11	26,919 10 1
Sambalpur ...	Ghess	23rd January 1883 ...	13,000 0 0	...	13,000 0 0	4,371 9 3	241 1 6	4,612 10 9	8,387 5 3
	Rengali	4th January 1886 ...	1,780 0 0	...	1,780 0 0	1,372 2 1	242 10 3	1,614 12 4	165 3 8
	Karandola	10th July 1886 ...	2,500 0 0	...	2,500 0 0	712 13 7	93 9 6	806 7 1	1,693 8 11
		Total ...	17,280 0 0	...	17,280 0 0	6,456 8 11	577 5 3	7,033 14 2	10,246 1 10
		TOTAL, CHHATTISGARH DIVISION ...	2,10,466 15 6	1,14,542 8 0	3,25,009 7 6	1,28,288 13 6	33,772 7 5	1,62,061 4 11	1,62,948 2 7
		GRAND TOTAL ...	19,78,312 2 4	13,56,061 10 3	33,34,373 12 7	20,65,457 10 0	1,92,752 9 11	22,58,210 4 0	10,76,365 0 7